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FOREWORD

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THE COMMONWEALTH'S LABOR MARKET

LABOR FORCE DEVELOPMENTS

Continued strong springtime hires reduced Virginia's unemployment to 3.5 percent in April, the lowest level recorded since December 1973, almost 15 years ago! This was a reduction of 0.3 percent and 8,900 persons from March. This was also the lowest April rate in 15 years, since a 3.3 percent jobless rate in April 1973, and well below the U. S. April 1988 level of 5.3 percent. The April job surge produced all-time record levels in the State's labor force (3,064,200), total employment (2,958,300), nonfarm employment (2,763,400), and services (666,300). Record low unemployment levels were also set in Northern Virginia, Richmond-Petersburg, and Tidewater.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CLAIMS

During the April 10-16 reference week, employment increased by 34,200; and although the labor force grew by 25,300, unemployment was down 8,900. There were 44,000 Virginians drawing jobless benefits in April compared to 47,000 in March and 43,000 in April 1987. New claims for benefits averaged 5,100 per week in April, compared to 6,300 per week in March, and 4,700 per week last April.

NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT AND EARNINGS AND HOURS WORKED

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment soared to a new record of 2,763,400 jobs in April, surpassing the previous record of 2,744,700 set last December. Nonfarm employment grew by 25,600 jobs since March and 109,800 jobs since April a year ago. Also setting a record, services employment rose to 666,300, an increase of 11,900 since March as spring tourists arrived for Garden Week and business services were at the height of the income tax preparation season. Healthy springtime gains were also recorded in construction (+7,100 to 189,000), trade (+4,600 to 631,200), and finance-insurance-real estate (+1,400 to 147,400). After seasonal losses in March, manufacturing added 1,500 jobs in April, bringing its total to 425,300. Recalls in textiles, seasonal hires at building material producers, and expansions in printing accounted for the increase. Transportation and mining reported little employment change from March. The 323,400 workers on State factory production payrolls earned an average weekly wage of $389.16 in April, $5.52 above March, and $21.23 higher than last year. Average weekly hours worked increased to a high 41.4 hours, 0.5 hour above March, and 0.7 hour greater than April 1987. Average hourly earnings increased $.02 to $9.40 and were $.36 above last April.

JOBLESS TRENDS ACROSS THE STATE

All five major metropolitan areas followed the State trend to lower unemployment in April. Northern Virginia at 1.6 percent had the lowest rate since estimates were put on the "place of work" basis starting in 1974. Richmond-Petersburg (3.1 percent) and Norfolk-Virginia Beach-Newport News (4.0 percent) had the lowest rates for those two areas since the combined areas were designated in 1982. Lowest and highest individual cities and counties were: Manassas Park City 1.0 percent and Dickenson County 14.3 percent.

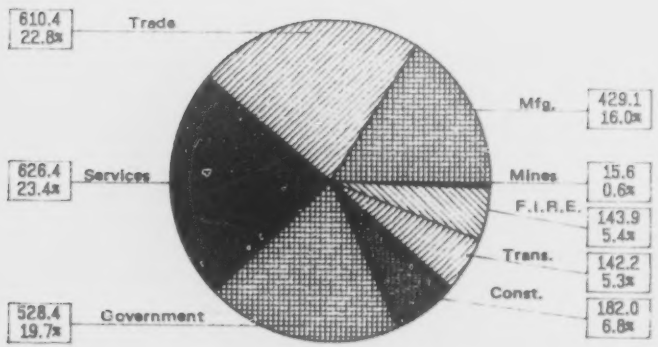
OUTLOOK

Unemployment should continue to decline in May, probably to about 3.4 percent Statewide as the spring back-to-work movement heightens. May is usually the lowest month for unemployment in the first half of the year before students enter the labor force in some numbers in June.

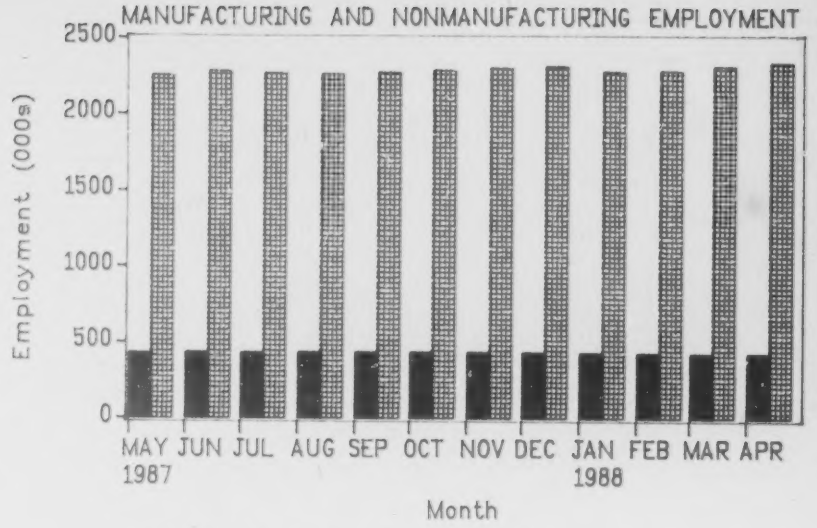
STATE OF VIRGINIA - APRIL 1988 HIGHLIGHTS

- Total nonagricultural employment advanced 25,600 jobs this month to a record high of 2,763,400 jobs and was 109,800 jobs above the year-ago April figure.
- After seasonal losses last month, manufacturing employment gained 1,500 jobs in April, bringing its total to 425,300 jobs. This employment increase reflected recalls in textiles, seasonal hires at building material producers, and expansions in printing.
- Nonmanufacturing employment increased 24,100 jobs this month to 2,338,100 jobs. Employment gains were recorded in services, construction, trade, finance, and transportation, while employment losses were posted in government and mining.
- This month factory production workers earned an average weekly wage of $389.16, which was $5.52 above March and $21.23 higher than last year.
- Average hourly earnings increased $.02 to $9.40 and were $.36 greater than April 1987.
- Average weekly hours increased to a high of 41.4 hours, 0.5 hour above March and 0.7 above last April.
- Virginia's unemployment rate dropped to 3.5 percent in April, the lowest rate recorded since December 1973.

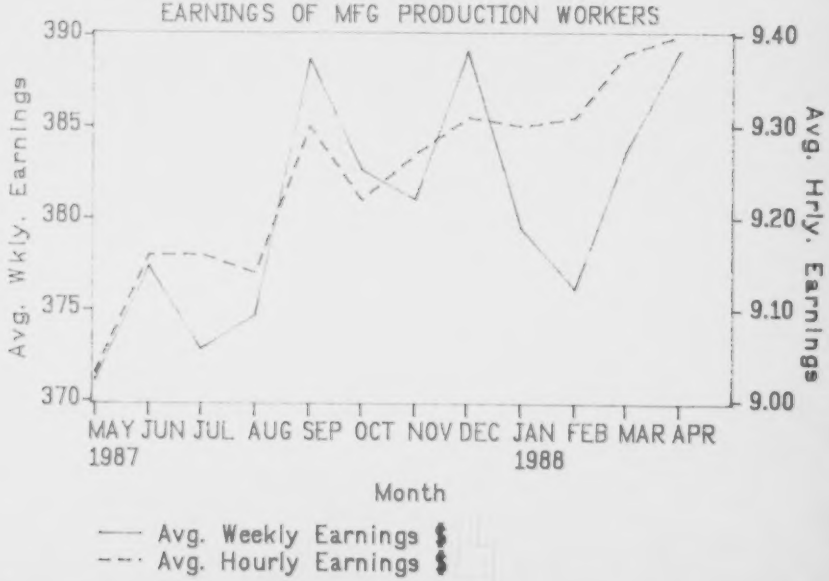
EMPLOYMENT (000s) IN VIRGINIA
1987



MANUFACTURING AND NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT



EARNINGS OF MFG PRODUCTION WORKERS



STATEWIDE AREA
EMPLOYEES IN NONAGRICULTURAL ESTABLISHMENTS
BY INDUSTRY DIVISIONS
ANNUAL AVERAGES 1980-1987
APRIL 1988
(In Thousands)

Year/Month	Total	Manufacturing	Mining	Construction	Transportation and Public Utilities	Wholesale and Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	Services	Government
1980	2,157.2	413.8	22.7	128.3	115.8	451.2	105.9	408.3	511.2
1981	2,160.8	414.0	21.7	116.3	117.6	460.4	106.1	418.3	506.6
1982	2,146.4	397.2	22.1	103.8	119.0	462.4	106.9	434.8	500.1
1983	2,206.9	403.6	17.4	113.9	120.4	480.2	110.1	460.4	500.9
1984	2,333.3	421.3	18.3	132.8	127.2	516.5	117.1	495.1	505.0
1985	2,454.7	423.4	17.3	152.0	132.0	547.0	122.8	544.7	515.6
1986	2,557.7	424.7	16.5	169.5	137.1	579.0	131.8	579.3	519.9
1987	2,678.1	429.1	15.6	182.0	142.2	610.4	143.9	626.4	528.4
1988:									
January	2,706.2	427.8	15.7	175.3	143.0	625.5	144.6	633.7	540.6
February	2,709.9	426.2	15.6	175.3	143.1	620.2	145.2	641.2	543.1
March	2,737.8	423.8	15.0	181.9	144.2	626.6	146.0	654.4	545.9
April	2,763.4	425.3	14.9	189.0	144.3	631.2	147.4	666.3	545.0

ESTIMATED EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES IN VIRGINIA

(Employment Data in Thousands)

Publish Industry Title	Series Code	All Employees			Production Workers								
					Average Wkly. Earnings			Average Wkly. Hours			Average Hrly. Earnings		
		Apr. 1988	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1987	Apr. 1988	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1987	Apr. 1988	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1987	Apr. 1988	Mar. 1988	Apr. 1987
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL	000000	2,763.4	2,737.8	2,653.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MANUFACTURING	300005	425.3	423.8	427.3	$389.16	$383.64	$367.93	41.4	40.9	40.7	$9.40	$9.38	$9.04
DURABLE GOODS	300025	202.3	201.4	201.2	$401.72	$393.44	$376.62	42.6	41.9	41.8	$9.43	$9.39	$9.01
LUMBER & WOOD PROD	324005	25.1	24.7	25.7	$284.42	$287.03	$275.88	40.4	40.2	41.3	$7.04	$7.14	$6.68
MILLWRK/PLYWD/STR	324305	8.2	8.0	8.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FURNITURE & FXTURE	325005	24.3	24.4	24.7	$249.20	$247.16	$237.37	40.0	39.8	39.3	$6.23	$6.21	$6.04
HOUSEHLD/OFF FURN	325135	22.9	23.0	23.2	$246.62	$243.97	$233.44	40.1	39.8	39.3	$6.15	$6.13	$5.94
STONE/CLAY/GLASS	332005	15.6	15.5	15.8	$368.10	$362.97	$344.45	40.9	41.2	41.5	$9.00	$8.81	$8.30
CNCRETE/GYPSM/PLA	332705	7.4	7.3	7.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
PRIMARY METAL INDU	333005	10.6	10.6	10.5	$451.26	$460.28	$433.44	43.1	44.3	43.0	$10.47	$10.39	$10.08
FABRICATED MTL PRO	334005	18.1	17.9	18.6	$413.34	$398.96	$415.32	42.7	41.3	44.2	$9.68	$9.66	$9.41
FAB STRL MTL PROD	334405	10.7	10.6	11.1	$372.81	$366.54	$364.90	43.0	41.7	43.7	$8.67	$8.79	$8.35
MACHINERY EX ELEC	335005	18.6	18.4	15.8	$402.12	$405.36	$400.16	43.1	43.4	42.3	$9.33	$9.34	$9.46
ELECTRIC EQUIPMENT	336005	38.3	38.2	40.2	$388.22	$395.01	$365.82	41.3	41.8	40.2	$9.40	$9.45	$9.10
COMMUNICATN EQUIP	336605	18.4	18.4	19.6	$409.08	$408.11	$376.66	41.7	41.9	39.9	$9.81	$9.74	$9.44
TRANSPORTATN EQUIP	337005	43.0	43.1	41.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
INSTRUMENTS	338005	5.1	5.0	4.7	$323.42	$323.75	$317.06	41.2	41.4	41.5	$7.85	$7.82	$7.64
MISC MANUFACTURIN	339005	3.6	3.6	3.5	$319.16	$313.61	$291.46	40.4	39.3	39.6	$7.90	$7.98	$7.36
NONDURABLE GOODS	400015	223.0	222.4	226.1	$378.55	$374.80	$359.68	40.4	40.0	39.7	$9.37	$9.37	$9.06
FOOD & KINDRED PRO	420005	39.1	39.0	38.3	$362.48	$356.09	$331.41	40.5	40.1	39.5	$8.95	$8.88	$8.39
MEAT PRODUCTS	420105	14.6	14.7	13.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
BEVERAGES	420805	4.8	4.8	4.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
TOBACCO	421005	12.7	12.8	13.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
TEXTILE MILL PROD	422005	42.0	41.5	44.3	$276.58	$269.70	$269.28	40.2	39.2	39.6	$6.88	$6.88	$6.80

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WEAVING MILLS	422135	15.1	15.1	14.8	$321.82	$318.78	$308.06	42.4	42.0	42.2	$7.59	$7.59	$7.30
NARROW FABRICS	422405	1.2	1.2	1.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
KNITTING MILLS	422505	18.2	17.7	20.6	$232.71	$224.44	$236.13	37.9	36.2	37.6	$6.14	$6.20	$6.28
MISC TEXTILES	422905	1.2	1.1	1.2	$316.47	$314.58	$300.75	41.1	42.8	42.3	$7.70	$7.35	$7.11
APPAREL & OTHR TEX	423005	28.9	29.2	30.1	$201.96	$202.77	$199.84	36.0	36.8	36.6	$5.61	$5.51	$5.46
MENS & BOYS	423175	9.1	9.2	9.9	$200.92	$201.11	$198.07	33.1	33.8	33.8	$6.07	$5.95	$5.86
WMS/CHLD OUTRWR	423335	15.7	15.7	15.9	$196.84	$196.22	$190.12	38.0	38.4	38.1	$5.18	$5.11	$4.99
PAPER & ALLIED PRO	426005	15.7	15.7	15.7	$517.00	$505.44	$503.15	44.0	43.2	43.3	$11.75	$11.70	$11.62
PULP/PAPER/PAPRBD	426135	8.0	8.1	8.1	$635.26	$626.22	$629.95	44.8	44.1	44.9	$14.18	$14.20	$14.03
MISC PAPER PROD	426445	7.4	7.4	7.3	$411.87	$396.95	$386.65	43.4	42.5	41.8	$9.49	$9.34	$9.25
PAPERBOARD CNTNR	426505	4.3	4.3	4.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
PRINTING & PUBLSHN	427005	33.5	33.2	32.0	$434.51	$440.10	$420.51	41.7	40.6	38.9	$10.42	$10.84	$10.81
NWSPAPR & PERIODC	427125	13.9	13.7	13.4	$346.12	$344.05	$356.13	33.9	33.5	35.9	$10.21	$10.27	$9.92
COMMERCIAL PRNTNG	427505	13.6	13.5	12.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
CHEMICALS	428005	33.5	33.5	33.5	$493.07	$494.32	$501.68	41.4	41.4	42.3	$11.91	$11.94	$11.86
PLASTICS & SYNTH	428205	17.4	17.4	17.7	$513.77	$512.53	$503.06	41.4	41.3	40.8	$12.41	$12.41	$12.33
PTRL/RBR/MISC PLAS	429025	17.0	17.0	16.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
LEATHER	431005	.6	.5	2.1	$202.02	$195.43	$172.96	42.0	40.8	37.6	$4.81	$4.79	$4.60
NONMANUFACTURING	000060	2,338.1	2,314.0	2,226.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MINING	100005	14.9	15.0	15.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
BITMS CL & LGNT MN	112005	11.6	11.8	12.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
CONSTRUCTION	200005	189.0	181.9	178.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
TRNSPORTATN & PUB U	500005	144.3	144.2	140.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
RAILROAD TRANS	540005	9.9	9.9	10.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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TRUCKING & WAREHSN	542005	35.5	35.4	32.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
AIR TRANSPORTATION	545005	20.6	20.8	20.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
COMMUNICATION	548005	40.8	40.6	40.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
ELEC/GAS/SANITRY	549005	20.9	21.2	20.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHLSALE & RETAIL TR	600005	631.2	626.6	596.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHOLESALE TRADE	650005	131.3	131.0	126.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHLSLE TRD - DUR	650015	81.9	81.5	78.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHLSLE TRD -NONDU	651005	49.4	49.5	47.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
RETAIL TRADE	652005	499.9	495.6	470.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
GENERAL MRCHNDSE	653005	65.1	64.6	60.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
DEPARTMENT STORE	653105	48.0	47.9	46.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
VARIETY STORES	653305	14.6	14.3	12.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FOOD STORES	654005	80.2	80.4	75.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
AUTO DLRS & SER S	655005	57.1	56.8	56.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
APPAREL & ACCESSO	656005	28.0	27.8	26.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FURNITURE	657005	28.4	28.6	26.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
EATING & DRINKING	658005	157.7	154.6	144.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MISC RETAIL	659005	63.4	63.5	61.0	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FINAN/INS/REAL EST	700005	147.4	146.0	141.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
BANKING	760005	38.6	38.3	36.0	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
CREDIT AG EX BANKS	761005	24.8	24.3	24.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
BROKERS & SERV	762005	4.3	4.3	4.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
INS CARRIERS	763005	25.9	25.9	24.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
REAL ESTATE	765005	36.4	35.9	34.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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SERVICES	800005	666.3	654.4	621.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
HOTELS & OTHR LODG	870005	48.2	44.9	42.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
PERSONAL SERVICES	872005	36.5	36.0	34.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
BUSINESS SERVICES	873005	184.6	181.4	167.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
AUTO REPAIR SERVIC	875005	20.7	20.6	18.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MISC REPAIR SERVC	876005	7.8	7.8	7.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MOTION PICTURES	878005	3.4	3.5	3.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
AMUSEMENTS	879005	17.6	15.5	17.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
HEALTH SERVICES	880005	146.2	145.3	138.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
HOSPITALS	880605	72.1	72.1	69.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
EDUCATIONAL SERVCS	882005	31.5	31.4	30.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
GOVERNMENT	998008	545.0	545.9	532.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	998011	169.9	170.1	169.0	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
STATE & LOCAL GOVT	998509	375.1	375.8	363.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
STATE GOVERNMENT	998512	131.0	131.1	126.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
LOCAL GOVERNMENT	998523	244.1	244.7	236.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

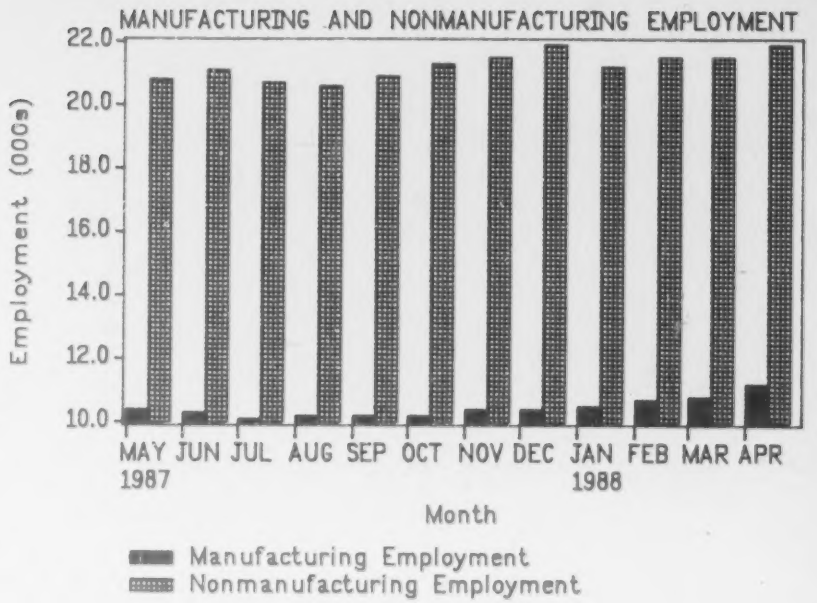
Current month's estimates are preliminary. Estimates include all full-time and part-time wage and salary workers who worked during or received pay for the pay period including the twelfth of the month. Self-employed persons are excluded. Employment series have been adjusted to First Quarter 1987 benchmark levels.

MONTHLY ANALYSIS

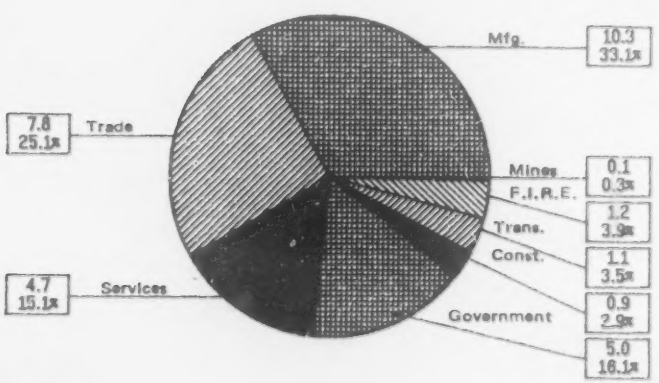
THE METROPOLITAN AREA LABOR MARKETS

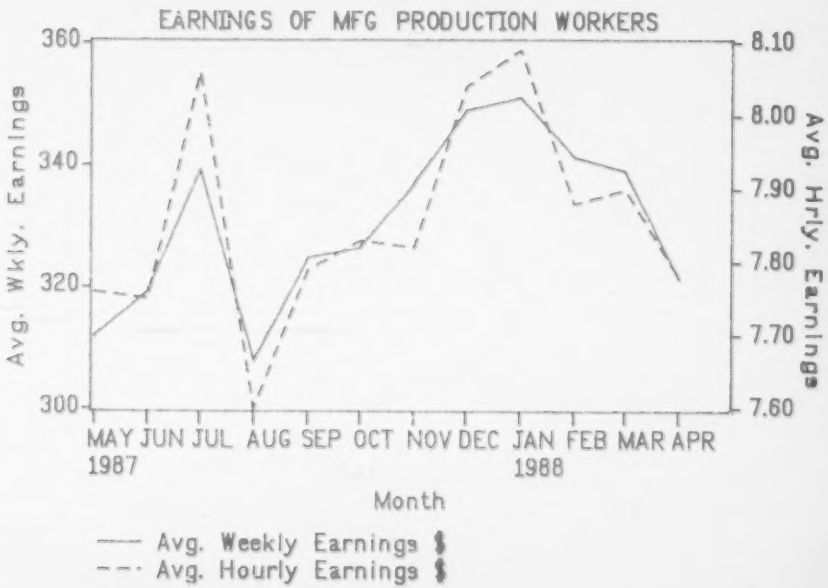
BRISTOL, VIRGINIA AREA - APRIL 1988 HIGHLIGHTS

- Total nonagricultural employment advanced 800 jobs this month to 33,100 jobs, which was 2,000 jobs above the April 1987 figure.
- This month's manufacturing employment level of 11,200 jobs was 400 jobs above the March figure and 900 jobs above last April's figure.
- Nonmanufacturing employment increased 400 jobs this month to 21,900 jobs. Springtime employment gains were recorded in trade, services, and construction.
- Average weekly earnings of $321.31 were $17.60 below March but $1.47 above last April.
- Average hourly earnings declined $.12 this month to $7.78, $.04 below April 1987.
- An average workweek of 41.3 hours was 1.6 hours shorter than March but 0.4 hour longer than last April.
- Bristol's unemployment rate continued to decline this month, falling 0.6 percent in April to 5.1 percent.



EMPLOYMENT (000s) IN BRISTOL, VIRGINIA AREA
1987





BRISTOL AREA
EMPLOYEES IN NONAGRICULTURAL ESTABLISHMENTS
BY INDUSTRY DIVISIONS
ANNUAL AVERAGES 1980-1987
APRIL 1988
(In Thousands)

Year/Month	Total	Manufacturing	Mining	Construction	Transportation and Public Utilities	Wholesale and Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	Services	Government
1980	27.5	9.2	-	1.1	1.1	6.4	0.9	3.5	5.3
1981	27.1	9.4	-	0.9	1.0	6.3	0.9	3.5	5.0
1982	26.8	9.0	-	0.9	1.1	6.4	0.9	3.5	5.0
1983	26.9	8.8	0.1	0.9	1.1	6.6	0.9	3.5	5.0
1984	28.0	9.6	0.1	1.0	1.1	6.7	1.1	3.6	5.0
1985	28.8	9.3	0.1	1.2	1.1	7.5	1.0	3.8	4.9
1986	30.1	9.7	0.1	0.9	1.1	7.8	1.0	4.5	5.1
1987	31.1	10.3	0.1	0.9	1.1	7.8	1.2	4.7	5.0
1988:									
January	31.7	10.5	0.1	0.9	1.1	8.1	1.2	4.8	5.0
February	32.2	10.7	0.1	0.8	1.1	8.1	1.3	5.0	5.1
March	32.3	10.8	0.1	0.8	1.1	8.1	1.3	5.0	5.1
April	33.1	11.2	0.1	0.9	1.1	8.3	1.3	5.1	5.1

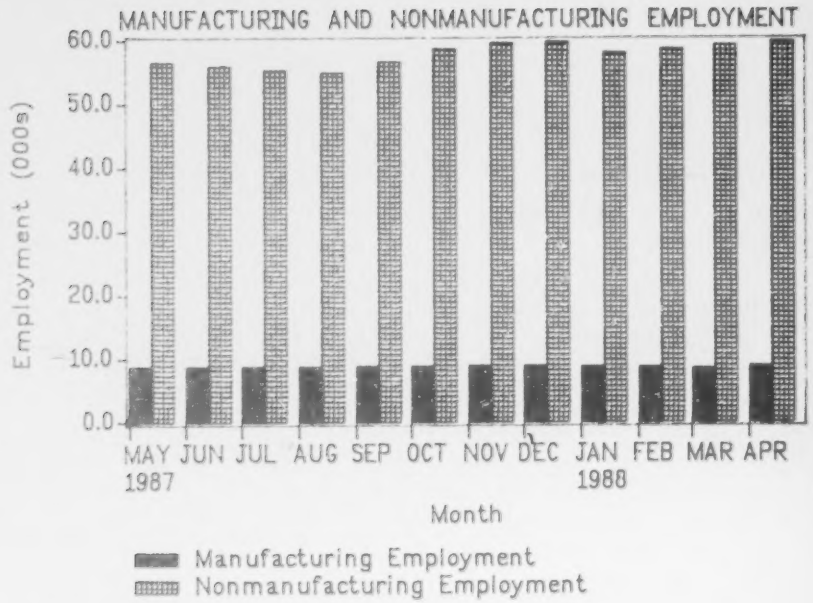
BLS 790 MONTHLY REPORT ON EMPLOYMENT HOURS AND EARNINGS
FOR
STATE..51 - VIRGINIA
AREA...1181 - BRISTOL MSA
YEAR..1988 MONTH...APRIL BENCHMARK DATE..1987

PUBLISH INDUSTRY TITLE	SERIES CODE	ALL EMPLOYEES CURRENT MONTH	ALL EMPLOYEES PREVIOUS MONTH	ALL EMPLOYEES CURR. MO. YEAR AGO	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURRENT MONTH	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PREV. MONTH	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURR. MO YEAR AGO	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURR. MO.	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS PREV. MO.	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURR MO YEAR AGO	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURR. MO.	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS PREV. MO.	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURR MO YR. AGO
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL	000000	33.1	32.3	31.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MANUFACTURING	300005	11.2	10.8	10.3	$321.31	$338.91	$319.84	41.3	42.9	40.9	$7.78	$7.90	$7.82
DURABLE GOODS	300025	6.9	6.6	5.8	$343.16	$371.83	$389.27	41.9	43.9	43.3	$8.19	$8.47	$8.99
FABRICATED MTL PRO	334005	1.1	1.0	1.4	$509.83	$481.56	$455.18	43.8	39.7	42.7	$11.64	$12.13	$10.66
MACHNRY & TRANS EQ	335035	4.6	4.5	3.3	$323.04	$358.44	$385.28	42.9	45.2	44.8	$7.53	$7.93	$8.60
OTHER DURABLE GOOD	399915	1.2	1.1	1.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NONDURABLE GOODS	400015	4.3	4.2	4.5	$280.60	$282.22	$227.33	40.2	41.2	37.7	$6.98	$6.85	$6.03
FOOD & KINDRED PRO	420005	1.5	1.5	1.5	$262.45	$251.69	$240.69	34.9	35.3	35.5	$7.52	$7.13	$6.78
APPAREL & OTHR TEX	423005	1.6	1.6	2.0	$288.64	$295.26	$190.40	43.8	44.4	36.9	$6.59	$6.65	$5.16
PAPER/PRNTNG/PUBLS	426015	.4	.4	.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
OTHER NONDURABLES	499915	.8	.7	.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NONMANUFACTURING	000060	21.9	21.5	20.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MINING	100005	.1	.1	.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
CONSTRUCTION	200005	.9	.8	.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
TRNSPORTATN & PUB U	500005	1.1	1.1	1.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHLSALE & RETAIL TR	600005	8.3	8.1	7.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHOLESALE TRADE	650005	1.9	1.8	1.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
RETAIL TRADE	652005	6.4	6.3	5.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FINAN/INS/REAL EST	700005	1.3	1.3	1.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
SERVICES	800005	5.1	5.0	4.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
GOVERNMENT	998008	5.1	5.1	5.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	998011	.4	.4	.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
STATE & LOCAL GOVT	998509	4.7	4.7	4.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

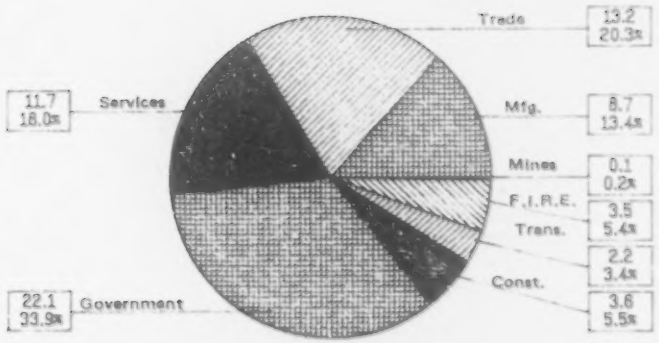
The category "Other Durable Goods" includes the lumber and wood products; furniture and fixtures; stone, clay, and glass products; primary metal; instruments and related products; and miscellaneous manufacturing industries. The category "Other Nondurable Goods" includes the tobacco manufactures; textile mill products; printing and publishing; chemicals and allied products; petroleum and coal products; rubber and miscellaneous plastics products; and leather and leather products industries.

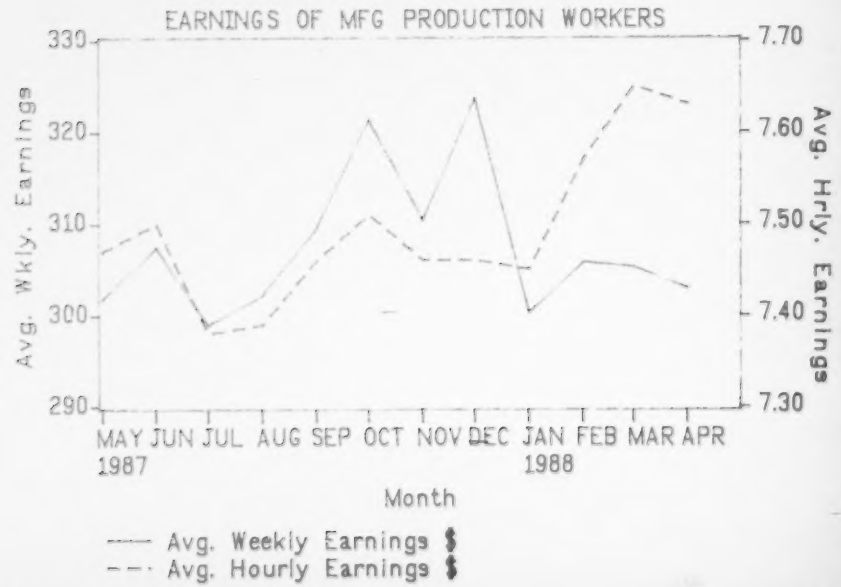
CHARLOTTESVILLE MSA - APRIL 1988 HIGHLIGHTS

- Total nonagricultural employment increased 1,000 jobs this month to 68,700 jobs and was 3,300 jobs above April 1987.
- This month's manufacturing employment increase of 400 jobs largely reflected employment gains in electrical equipment and printing and publishing.
- Nonmanufacturing employment advanced 600 jobs this month to 59,800 jobs, 3,200 jobs above last April. Employment gains were posted in services, trade, and construction, while government posted an employment loss.
- Average weekly earnings of $302.91 were $2.33 below the March figure but $7.31 above the year-ago April figure.
- This month average hourly earnings were $7.63, $.02 below March but $.24 above last April.
- An average workweek of 39.7 hours was 0.2 hour shorter than March and 0.3 hour shorter than the year-ago April figure.
- Charlottesville's unemployment rate declined 0.7 percent in April to 2.2 percent.



EMPLOYMENT (000s) IN CHARLOTTESVILLE MSA
1987





CHARLOTTESVILLE MSA
EMPLOYEES IN NONAGRICULTURAL ESTABLISHMENTS
BY INDUSTRY DIVISIONS
ANNUAL AVERAGES 1980-1987
APRIL 1988
(In Thousands)

Year/Month	Total	Manufacturing	Mining	Construction	Transportation and Public Utilities	Wholesale and Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	Services	Government
1980	54.5	9.5	-	2.7	1.9	9.7	2.5	7.6	20.5
1981	55.1	9.7	-	2.4	1.9	9.5	2.5	8.0	21.2
1982	54.9	9.4	-	2.2	1.9	9.7	2.6	8.6	20.6
1983	57.2	10.1	0.1	2.6	1.9	10.1	2.8	9.2	20.4
1984	60.1	10.2	0.1	3.0	2.0	11.0	3.0	9.9	21.0
1985	60.7	9.3	0.1	3.4	2.1	11.4	3.0	10.2	21.3
1986	62.3	8.6	0.1	3.3	2.1	12.2	3.1	10.9	22.0
1987	65.1	8.7	0.1	3.6	2.2	13.2	3.5	11.7	22.1
1988:									
January	66.8	8.8	0.1	3.4	2.3	13.7	3.6	11.5	23.4
February	67.3	8.7	0.1	3.4	2.3	13.8	3.6	11.5	23.9
March	67.7	8.5	0.1	3.6	2.3	13.8	3.6	11.6	24.2
April	68.7	8.9	0.1	3.7	2.3	14.1	3.6	12.0	24.0

BLS 790 MONTHLY REPORT ON EMPLOYMENT, HOURS AND EARNINGS

FOR

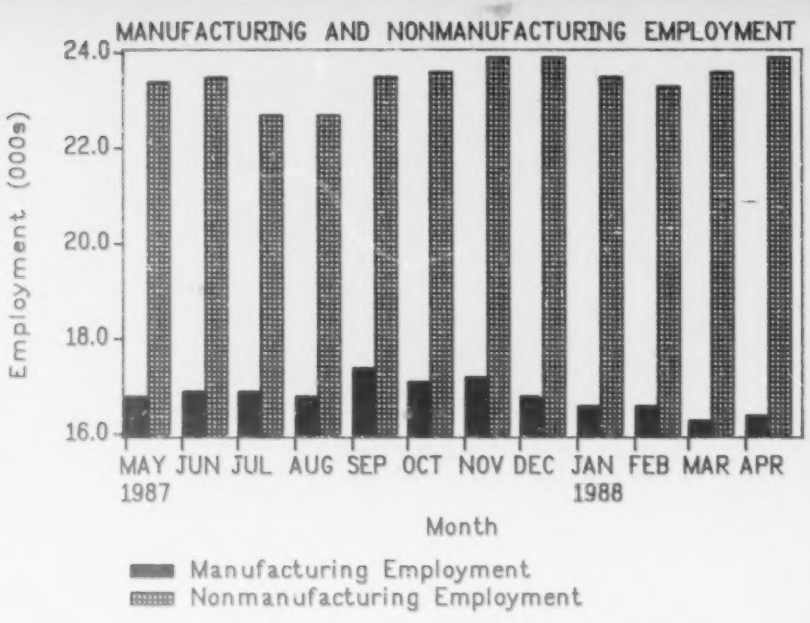
STATE..51 - VIRGINIA
AREA...1540 - CHARLOTTESVILLE MSA
YEAR..1988 MONTH...APRIL BENCHMARK DATE..1987

PUBLISH INDUSTRY TITLE	SERIES CODE	ALL EMPLOYEES CURRENT MONTH	ALL EMPLOYEES PREVIOUS MONTH	ALL EMPLOYEES CURR. MO. YEAR AGO	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURRENT MONTH	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PREV. MONTH	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURR. MO. YEAR AGO	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURR. MO.	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS PREV. MO.	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURR.MO. YEAR AGO	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURR. MO.	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS PREV. MO.	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURR MO YR. AGO
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL	000000	68.7	67.7	65.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MANUFACTURING	300005	8.9	8.5	8.8	$302.91	$305.24	$295.60	39.7	39.9	40.0	$7.63	$7.65	$7.39
DURABLE GOODS	300025	5.8	5.5	5.8	$304.50	$308.77	$292.53	39.7	40.1	38.9	$7.67	$7.70	$7.52
FURNITURE & FXTURE	325005	.3	.3	.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
ELECTRIC EQUIPMENT	336005	4.1	3.9	4.1	$307.97	$307.09	$293.88	38.4	38.1	37.2	$8.02	$8.06	$7.90
OTHER DURABLE GOOD	399915	1.4	1.3	1.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NONDURABLE GOODS	400015	3.1	3.0	3.0	$299.77	$299.02	$299.41	39.6	39.5	41.7	$7.57	$7.57	$7.18
TEXTILE MILL PROD	422005	.7	.7	.7	$309.86	$302.76	$291.48	42.1	43.5	41.7	$7.36	$6.96	$6.99
PRINTING & PUBLSHN	427005	1.0	.9	.9	$316.01	$329.86	$321.87	37.8	38.4	39.3	$8.36	$8.59	$8.19
OTHER NONDURABLES	499915	1.4	1.4	1.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NONMANUFACTURING	000060	59.8	59.2	56.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MINING	100005	.1	.1	.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
CONSTRUCTION	200005	3.7	3.6	3.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
TRNSPORTATN & PUB U	500005	2.3	2.3	2.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHLSALE & RETAIL TR	600005	14.1	13.8	13.0	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHOLESALE TRADE	650005	1.9	1.7	1.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
RETAIL TRADE	652005	12.2	12.1	11.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FINAN/INS/REAL EST	700005	3.6	3.6	3.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
SERVICES	800005	12.0	11.6	11.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
GOVERNMENT	998008	24.0	24.2	22.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	998011	1.3	1.3	1.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
STATE & LOCAL GOVT	998509	22.7	22.9	21.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

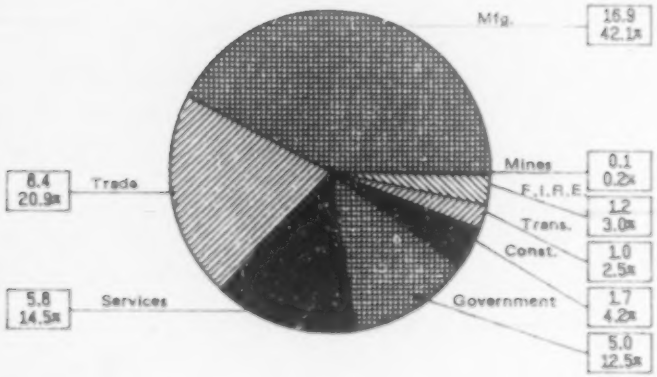
The category "Other Durable Goods" includes the lumber and wood products; stone, clay, and glass products; primary metal; fabricated metal products; machinery except electrical; transportation equipment; instruments and related products; and miscellaneous manufacturing industries. The category "Other Nondurable Goods" includes the food and kindred products; tobacco manufactures; apparel and other textile products; paper and allied products; chemicals and allied products; petroleum and coal products; rubber and plastics products; and leather and leather products industries.

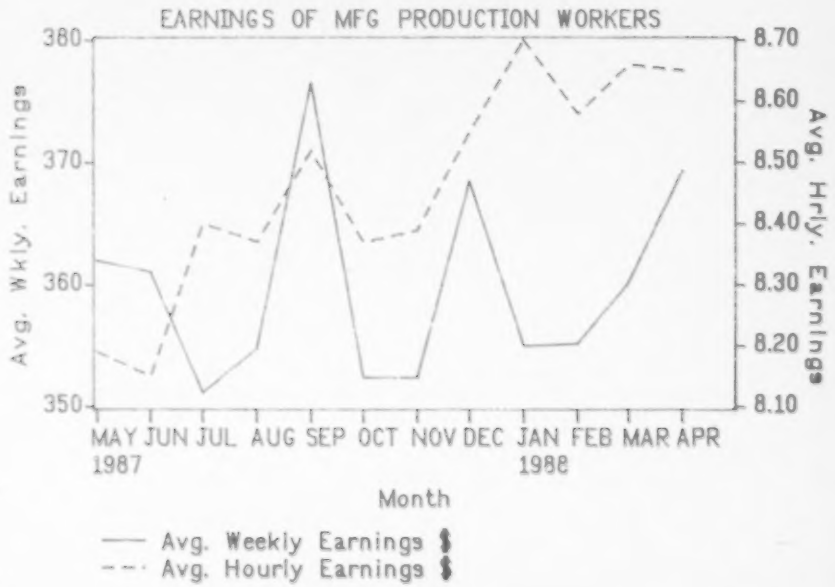
DANVILLE MSA - APRIL 1988 HIGHLIGHTS

- Total nonagricultural employment advanced 400 jobs this month to 40,300 jobs and was 700 jobs above the year-ago figure.
- The manufacturing sector posted a slight employment gain this month bringing its total to 16,400 jobs.
- Nonmanufacturing employment increased 300 jobs in April to 23,900 jobs. The trade and construction industries experienced springtime employment increases while employment in government declined.
- This month factory production workers earned an average weekly wage of $369.36, which was $9.10 above March and $37.09 above April 1987.
- Average hourly earnings were $8.65, down $.01 from March but up $.72 from last April.
- April's average workweek of 42.7 hours was 1.1 hours longer than last month and 0.8 hour longer than last year.
- Danville's unemployment rate continued to decline, falling 0.1 percent this month to 6.6 percent.



EMPLOYMENT (000s) IN DANVILLE MSA
1987





DANVILLE MSA
EMPLOYEES IN NONAGRICULTURAL ESTABLISHMENTS
BY INDUSTRY DIVISIONS
ANNUAL AVERAGES 1980-1987
APRIL 1988
(In Thousands)

Year/Month	Total	Manufacturing	Mining	Construction	Transportation and Public Utilities	Wholesale and Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	Services	Government
1980	40.5	19.4	-	1.4	0.9	7.3	1.2	5.1	5.2
1981	40.1	19.3	-	1.3	0.9	7.3	1.2	5.1	5.0
1982	38.8	18.5	-	1.2	0.9	7.1	1.1	5.0	5.0
1983	39.2	18.5	0.1	1.4	1.0	7.2	1.1	5.1	5.0
1984	39.7	18.2	0.1	1.4	0.9	7.8	1.0	5.2	5.0
1985	38.9	16.9	0.1	1.4	0.9	8.2	1.1	5.3	5.0
1986	38.9	16.5	0.1	1.4	1.0	8.1	1.2	5.8	4.9
1987	40.1	16.9	0.1	1.7	1.0	8.4	1.2	5.8	5.0
1988:									
January	40.1	16.6	0.1	1.6	1.0	8.6	1.2	5.7	5.3
February	39.9	16.6	0.1	1.6	1.0	8.4	1.2	5.7	5.3
March	39.9	16.3	0.1	1.7	1.0	8.6	1.2	5.7	5.3
April	40.3	16.4	0.1	1.8	1.0	8.9	1.2	5.7	5.2

BLS 790 MONTHLY REPORT ON EMPLOYMENT, HOURS AND EARNINGS

STATE..51 - VIRGINIA
AREA...1950 - DANVILLE MSA
YEAR..1988 MONTH...APRIL

BENCHMARK DATE..1987

PUBLISH INDUSTRY TITLE	SERIES CODE	ALL EMPLOYEES CURRENT MONTH	ALL EMPLOYEES PREVIOUS MONTH	ALL EMPLOYEES CURR. MO. YEAR AGO	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURRENT MONTH	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PREV. MONTH	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURR. MO. YEAR AGO	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURR. MO.	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS PREV. MO.	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURR.MO. YEAR AGO	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURR. MO.	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS PREV. MO.	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURR MO YR. AGO
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL	000000	40.3	39.9	39.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MANUFACTURING	300005	16.4	16.3	16.6	$369.36	$360.26	$332.27	42.7	41.6	41.9	$8.65	$8.66	$7.93
DURABLE GOODS	300025	3.3	3.2	3.1	$311.22	$297.59	$308.45	39.0	38.3	40.8	$7.98	$7.77	$7.56
LUMBER & WOOD PROD	324005	1.1	1.1	1.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FABRICATED MTL PRO	334005	.4	.4	.3	$243.18	$247.98	$264.10	38.6	39.3	47.5	$6.30	$6.31	$5.56
MACHINERY EX ELEC	335005	.2	.2	.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
OTHER DURABLE GOOD	399915	1.6	1.5	1.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NONDURABLE GOODS	400015	13.1	13.1	13.5	$385.43	$377.86	$337.22	43.7	42.6	42.1	$8.82	$8.87	$8.01
TOBACCO	421005	.6	.6	.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
TEXT/APPAREL/LEATH	422055	9.5	9.5	9.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
APPAREL & OTHR TEX	423005	9	9	1.0	$270.46	$242.90	$273.97	38.2	32.3	41.7	$7.08	$7.52	$6.57
OTHER NONDURABLES	499915	3.0	3.0	3.0	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NONMANUFACTURING	000060	23.9	23.6	23.0	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MINING	100005	.1	.1	.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
CONSTRUCTION	200005	1.8	1.7	1.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
TRNSPORTATN & PUB U	500005	1.0	1.0	1.0	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHLSALE & RETAIL TR	600005	8.9	8.6	8.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHOLESALE TRADE	650005	1.3	1.3	1.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
RETAIL TRADE	652005	7.6	7.3	6.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FINAN/INS/REAL EST	700005	1.2	1.2	1.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
SERVICES	800005	5.7	5.7	5.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
GOVERNMENT	998008	5.2	5.3	5.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	998011	.3	.3	.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
STATE & LOCAL GOVT	998509	4.9	5.0	4.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

The category "Other Nondurable Goods" includes the food and kindred products; paper and allied products; printing and publishing; chemicals and allied products; petroleum and coal products; and rubber and plastics products industries.

LYNCHBURG MSA - APRIL 1988 HIGHLIGHTS

- Total nonagricultural employment increased slightly (+200 jobs) this month to 72,700 jobs and was 700 jobs above April 1987.
- April's manufacturing employment figure of 23,300 jobs was 100 jobs below last month's figure and 500 jobs below the year-ago figure.
- Nonmanufacturing employment advanced 300 jobs this month to 49,400 jobs. Springtime employment gains were recorded in construction, trade, services, and finance while employment losses were posted in government.
- Average weekly earnings of $347.90 were $2.53 below March's figure and $5.30 below last April's figure.
- This month average hourly earnings declined $.02 to $8.59, $.12 above April 1987.
- The average workweek was 40.5 hours, which was 0.2 hour shorter than March and 1.2 hours shorter than last April.
- Lynchburg's unemployment rate continued to decline, dropping 0.7 percent in April to 4.1 percent.

EMPLOYMENT (000s) IN LYNCHBURG MSA
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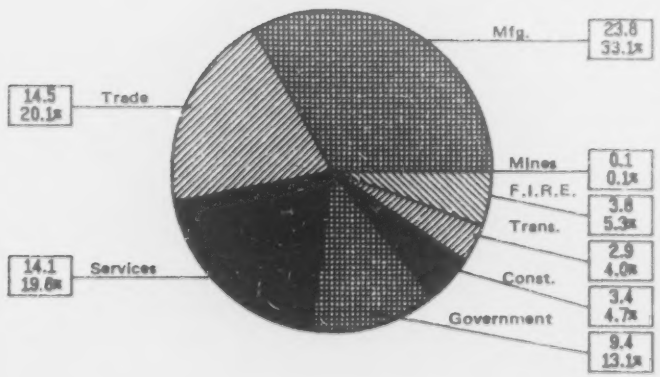

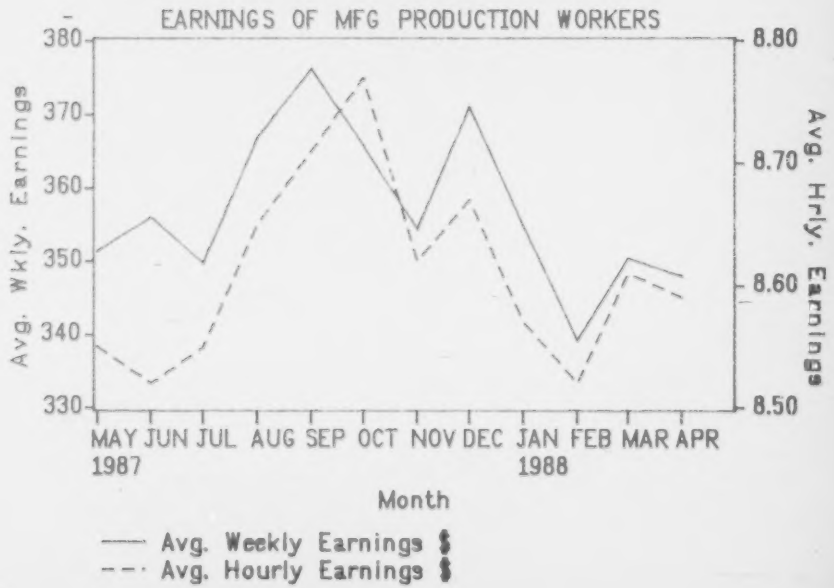

LYNCHBURG MSA
EMPLOYEES IN NONAGRICULTURAL ESTABLISHMENTS
BY INDUSTRY DIVISIONS
ANNUAL AVERAGES 1980-1987
APRIL 1988
(In Thousands)

Year/Month	Total	Manufacturing	Mining	Construction	Transportation and Public Utilites	Wholesale and Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	Services	Government
1980	67.2	27.2	-	2.8	2.5	11.6	3.2	10.4	9.5
1981	67.5	26.8	-	2.4	2.6	11.7	3.3	11.5	9.2
1982	66.1	25.2	-	2.3	2.7	11.6	3.1	12.0	9.2
1983	66.0	25.1	0.1	2.3	2.8	11.9	3.1	12.0	8.7
1984	68.9	26.1	0.1	2.6	3.0	12.6	3.2	12.4	9.0
1985	69.7	25.0	0.1	2.7	2.9	13.3	3.4	13.1	9.3
1986	70.4	24.0	0.1	3.1	2.9	13.5	3.3	13.9	9.5
1987	71.8	23.8	0.1	3.4	2.9	14.5	3.8	14.1	9.4
1988:									
January	71.0	22.6	0.1	3.2	2.8	14.5	3.9	14.2	9.7
February	71.7	23.3	0.1	3.2	2.8	14.6	3.9	14.1	9.7
March	72.5	23.4	0.1	3.2	2.8	14.9	3.9	14.2	10.0
April	72.7	23.3	0.1	3.4	2.8	15.1	4.0	14.3	9.7

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FOR
STATE..51 - VIRGINIA
AREA...4640 - LYNCHBURG MSA
YEAR..1988 MONTH...APRIL

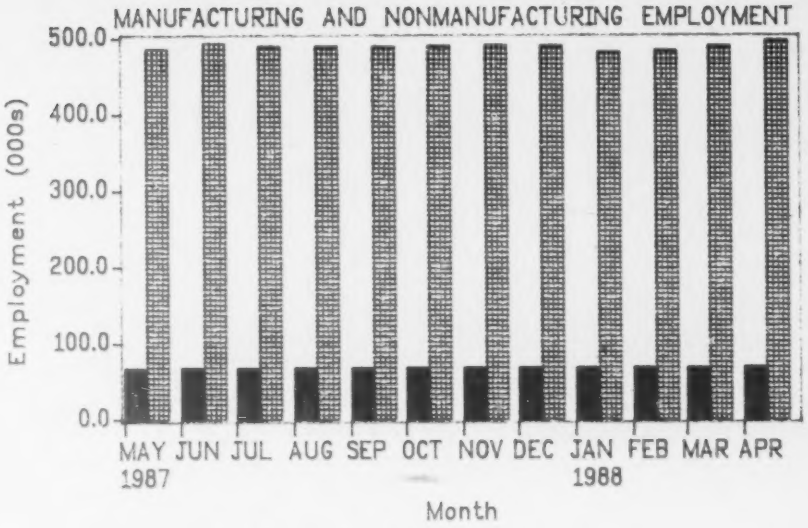
BENCHMARK DATE..1987

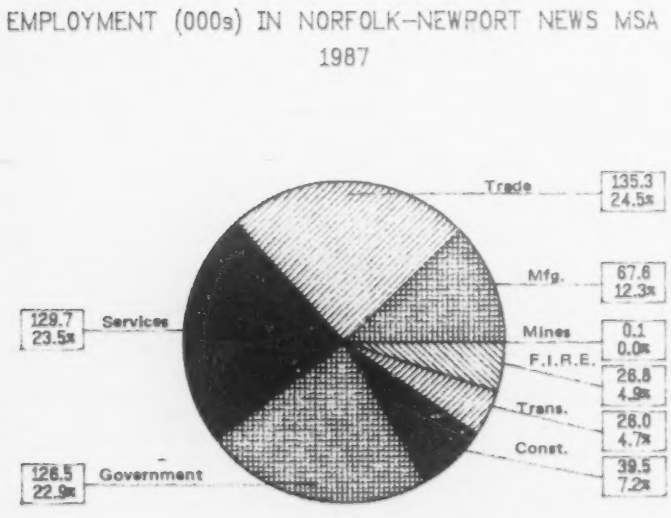
PUBLISH INDUSTRY TITLE	SERIES CODE	ALL EMPLOYEES CURRENT MONTH	ALL EMPLOYEES PREVIOUS MONTH	ALL EMPLOYEES CURR. MO. YEAR AGO	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURRENT MONTH	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PREV. MONTH	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURR. MO. YEAR AGO	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURR. MO.	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS PREV. MO.	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURR.MO. YEAR AGO	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURR. MO.	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS PREV. MO.	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURR MO YR. AGO
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL	000000	72.7	72.5	72.0	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MANUFACTURING	300005	23.3	23.4	23.8	$347.90	$350.43	$353.20	40.5	40.7	41.7	$8.59	$8.61	$8.47
DURABLE GOODS	300025	15.4	15.5	15.4	$340.90	$348.50	$358.70	40.2	41.0	42.3	$8.48	$8.50	$8.48
LMBR & WD/FRN & FI	324015	3.3	3.3	3.2	$224.79	$219.70	$220.02	38.1	37.3	39.5	$5.90	$5.89	$5.57
OTHER DURABLE GOOD	399915	12.1	12.2	12.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NONDURABLE GOODS	400015	7.9	7.9	8.4	$359.51	$353.68	$342.23	40.9	40.1	40.5	$8.79	$8.82	$8.45
FOOD & KINDRED PRO	420005	1.5	1.5	1.5	$350.66	$305.28	$336.51	41.4	38.4	40.3	$8.47	$7.95	$8.35
TEXTILES & APPAREL	422015	2.7	2.7	2.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
OTHER NONDURABLES	499915	3.7	3.7	4.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NONMANUFACTURING	000060	49.4	49.1	48.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MINING	100005	.1	.1	.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
CONSTRUCTION	200005	3.4	3.2	3.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
TRNSPORTATN & PUB U	500005	2.8	2.8	2.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHLSALE & RETAIL TR	600005	15.1	14.9	14.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHOLESALE TRADE	650005	3.0	3.0	3.0	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
RETAIL TRADE	652005	12.1	11.9	11.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FINAN/INS/REAL EST	700005	4.0	3.9	3.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
SERVICES	800005	14.3	14.2	14.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
GOVERNMENT	998008	9.7	10.0	9.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	998011	.5	.5	.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
STATE & LOCAL GOVT	998509	9.2	9.5	8.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

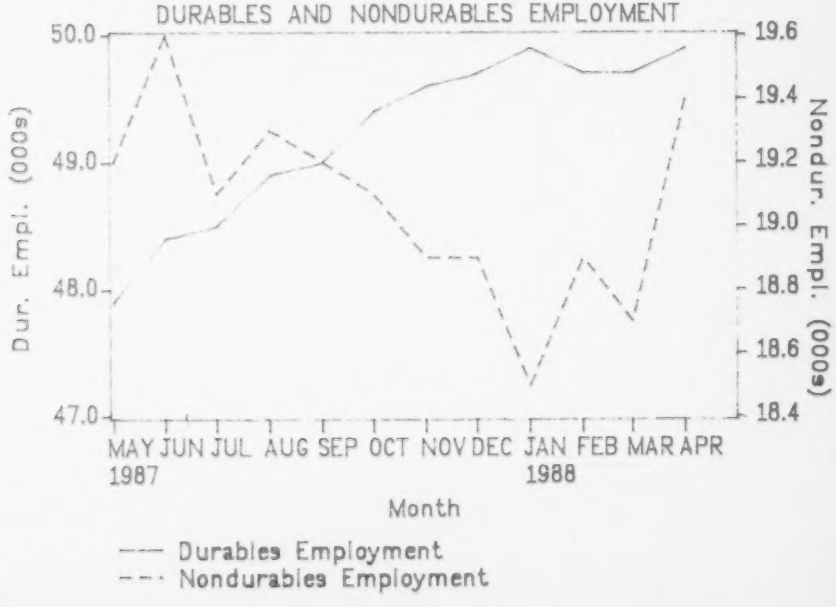
The category "Other Nondurable Goods" includes the tobacco manufactures; paper and allied products; printing and publishing; chemicals and allied products; petroleum and coal products; rubber and plastics products; and leather and leather products industries.

NORFOLK-NEWPORT NEWS MSA - APRIL 1988 HIGHLIGHTS

- Total nonagricultural employment advanced 7,600 jobs this month to 566,100 jobs, 19,200 jobs above the year-ago April figure.
- April's manufacturing employment level of 69,300 jobs was 900 jobs over the previous month and 2,100 jobs over last year.
- Nonmanufacturing employment increased 6,700 jobs this month to 496,800 jobs and was 17,100 jobs above last April. Employment gains were posted in services (+3,400 jobs), trade (+2,000 jobs), construction (+1,000 jobs), finance (+300 jobs), and transportation (+100 jobs) while government employment declined 100 jobs.
- April's 4.0 percent unemployment rate was the lowest rate for Norfolk-Virginia Beach-Newport News since the combined areas were designated in 1982.







NORFOLK-NEWPORT NEWS MSA
EMPLOYEES IN NONAGRICULTURAL ESTABLISHMENTS
BY INDUSTRY DIVISIONS
ANNUAL AVERAGES 1980-1987
APRIL 1988
(In Thousands)

Year/Month	Total	Manufacturing	Mining	Construction	Transportation and Public Utilities	Wholesale and Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	Services	Government
1980	435.4	63.4	-	24.7	24.0	96.9	20.0	85.8	120.5
1981	459.9	64.6	-	23.2	24.6	100.1	19.8	89.2	118.4
1982	441.0	62.9	-	22.5	24.7	101.4	19.6	92.8	117.2
1983	458.7	64.3	0.1	25.9	24.4	106.8	20.1	98.1	118.9
1984	484.5	67.3	0.1	30.4	25.1	115.7	21.3	104.5	120.1
1985	510.8	68.1	0.1	33.8	25.2	124.3	22.8	114.1	122.3
1986	531.5	68.8	0.1	37.7	25.8	130.0	24.4	120.0	124.8
1987	551.5	67.6	0.1	39.5	26.0	135.3	26.8	129.7	126.5
1988:									
January	550.2	68.4	0.1	37.3	25.4	134.6	26.9	130.2	127.3
February	552.7	68.6	0.1	36.9	25.3	134.4	27.0	132.3	128.1
March	558.5	68.4	0.1	37.9	25.6	135.7	27.1	135.1	128.6
April	566.1	69.3	0.1	38.9	25.7	137.7	27.4	138.5	128.5

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FOR
STATE 51 - VIRGINIA
AREA 5720 - NORFOLK - VIRGINIA BEACH - NEWPORT NEWS MSA
YEAR 1988 MONTH APRIL BENCHMARK DATE 1987

PUBLISH INDUSTRY TITLE	SERIES CODE	ALL EMPLOYEES CURRENT MONTH	ALL EMPLOYEES PREVIOUS MONTH	ALL EMPLOYEES CURR. MO. YEAR AGO	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURRENT MONTH	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PREV. MONTH	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURR. MO. YEAR AGO	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURR. MO.	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS PREV. MO.	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURR. MO. YEAR AGO	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURR. MO.	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS PREV. MO.	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURR MO YR. AGO
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL	000000	566.1	558.5	546.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MANUFACTURING	300005	69.3	68.4	67.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
DURABLE GOODS	300025	49.9	48.7	48.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
LMBR & WD/FRN & FI	324015	2.9	2.9	2.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
PMRY MTL/FAB MTL	333015	2.6	2.6	2.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MACHINERY EX ELEC	335005	2.2	2.2	2.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
ELECTRIC EQUIPMENT	336005	2.2	2.1	1.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
TRANSPORTATN EQUIP	337005	35.4	35.5	34.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
OTHER DURABLE GOOD	399915	4.6	4.4	4.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NONDURABLE GOODS	400015	19.4	18.7	19.0	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FOOD & KINDRED PRO	420005	7.0	6.6	7.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
PRINTING & PUBLSHN	427005	4.5	4.5	4.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
CHEMICALS	428005	2.3	2.3	2.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
OTHER NONDURABLES	499915	5.6	5.3	4.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NONMANUFACTURING	000060	496.8	490.1	479.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MINING	100005	.1	.1	.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
CONSTRUCTION	200005	38.9	37.9	38.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
TRNSPORTATN & PUB U	500005	25.7	25.6	25.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
RAILROAD TRANS	540005	1.5	1.5	1.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHLSALE & RETAIL TR	600005	137.7	135.7	132.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHOLESALE TRADE	650005	23.7	23.6	22.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
RETAIL TRADE	652005	114.0	112.1	109.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FINAN/INS/REAL EST	700005	27.4	27.1	26.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
BANKING	760005	6.8	6.7	6.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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FOR
STATE..51 - VIRGINIA
AREA...5720 - NORFOLK - VIRGINIA BEACH - NEWPORT NEWS MSA
YEAR..1988 MONTH...APRIL BENCHMARK DATE..1987

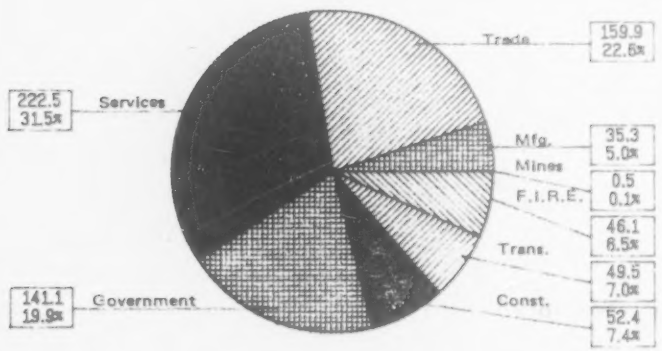
PUBLISH INDUSTRY TITLE	SERIES CODE	ALL EMPLOYEES CURRENT MONTH	ALL EMPLOYEES PREVIOUS MONTH	ALL EMPLOYEES CURR. MO. YEAR AGO	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURRENT MONTH	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PREV. MONTH	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURR. MO YEAR AGO	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURR. MO.	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS PREV. MO.	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURR MO YEAR AGO	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURR. MO.	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS PREV. MO.	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURR MO YR. AGO
INS CARRIERS, AGEN	763045	4.5	4.4	4.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
SERVICES	800005	138.5	135.1	127.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
PERSONAL SERVICES	872005	9.4	9.4	8.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
GOVERNMENT	998008	128.5	128.6	128.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	998011	54.9	55.1	55.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
STATE & LOCAL GOVT	998509	73.6	73.5	73.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

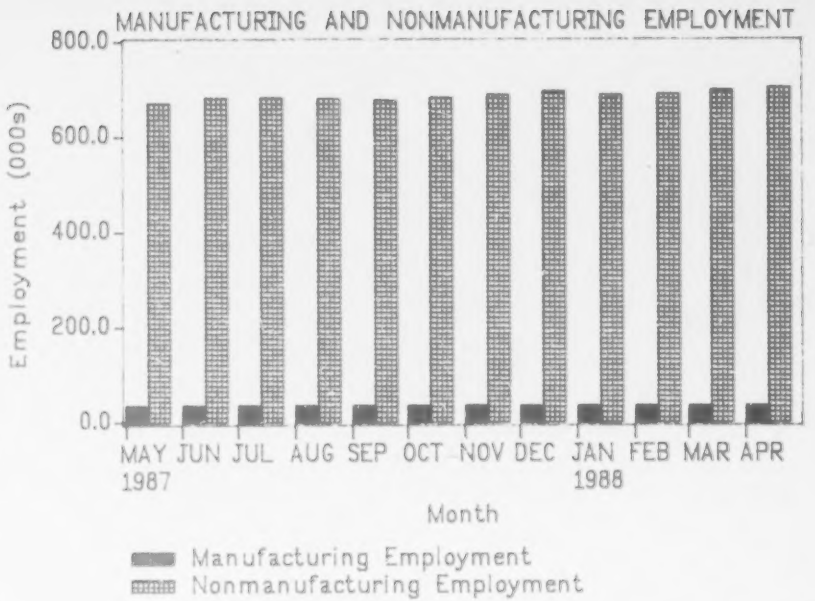
The category "Other Durable Goods" includes the stone, clay, and glass products; instruments and related products; and miscellaneous manufacturing industries.
The category "Other Nondurable Goods" includes the tobacco manufactures; textile mill products; apparel and other textile products; paper and allied products; petroleum and coal products; rubber and plastics products; and leather and leather products industries.

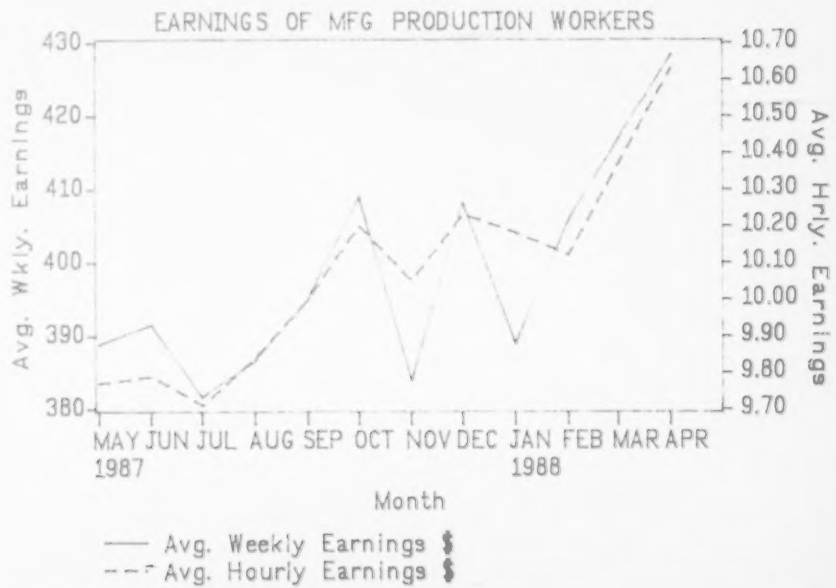
NORTHERN VIRGINIA AREA - APRIL 1988 HIGHLIGHTS

- April's total nonagricultural employment level of 738,100 jobs was 4,600 jobs above March and 40,500 jobs above last April.
- Manufacturing employment advanced slightly (+100 jobs) this month to 35,400 jobs and was 500 jobs above the year-ago April figure.
- Nonmanufacturing employment increased 4,500 jobs to 702,700 jobs. Employment gains were recorded in services (+2,300 jobs), construction (+1,700 jobs), transportation (+500 jobs), trade (+300 jobs), and finance (+100 jobs) while government employment declined (-400 jobs).
- Average weekly earnings of $428.39 were $11.52 above March and $54.75 above April 1987.
- Average hourly earnings rose $.26 to $10.63, $1.00 above last April.
- The average workweek increased 0.1 hour this month to 40.3 hours and was 1.5 hours longer than April 1987.
- Northern Virginia at 1.6 percent continued to have the lowest unemployment rate among Virginia's metropolitan areas.

EMPLOYMENT (000s) IN NORTHERN, VIRGINIA AREA
1987







NORTHERN VIRGINIA AREA
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ANNUAL AVERAGES 1980-1987
APRIL 1988
(In Thousands)

Year/Month	Total	Manufacturing	Mining	Construction	Transportation and Public Utilities	Wholesale and Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	Services	Government
1980	461.6	19.2	0.4	31.1	32.1	107.1	28.7	122.5	120.5
1981	476.0	20.8	0.4	29.1	33.2	113.0	28.7	128.8	121.9
1982	486.5	22.5	0.5	24.4	34.2	112.8	29.4	138.5	124.2
1983	516.0	25.1	0.5	29.1	35.1	119.7	30.9	150.0	125.6
1984	567.2	28.6	0.5	36.2	39.2	130.3	34.5	166.7	131.2
1985	614.2	31.8	0.6	42.5	42.4	141.7	36.5	184.1	139.6
1986	658.8	34.6	0.5	48.0	45.7	153.5	40.5	200.0	136.1
1987	707.3	35.3	0.5	52.4	49.5	159.9	46.1	222.5	141.1
1988:									
January	723.2	35.1	0.5	51.8	50.3	165.5	47.2	229.0	143.8
February	725.0	35.3	0.5	51.5	50.5	165.2	47.8	231.2	143.0
March	733.5	35.3	0.5	53.6	51.2	166.3	48.3	234.9	143.4
April	738.1	35.4	0.5	55.3	51.7	166.6	48.4	237.2	143.0

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STATE..51 - VIRGINIA
AREA...5751 - NORTHERN VIRGINIA MSA
YEAR..1988 MONTH...APRIL

BENCHMARK DATE..1987

PUBLISH INDUSTRY TITLE	SERIES CODE	ALL EMPLOYEES CURRENT MONTH	ALL EMPLOYEES PREVIOUS MONTH	ALL EMPLOYEES CURR. MO. YEAR AGO	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURRENT MONTH	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PREV. MONTH	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURR. MO. YEAR AGO	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURR. MO.	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS PREV. MO.	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURR MO YEAR AGO	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURR. MO.	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS PREV. MO.	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURR MO YR. AGO
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL	000000	738.1	733.5	697.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MANUFACTURING	300005	35.4	35.3	34.9	$428.39	$416.87	$373.64	40.3	40.2	38.8	$10.63	$10.37	$9.63
DURABLE GOODS	300025	20.6	20.5	20.9	$444.87	$437.15	$382.32	42.9	42.9	40.5	$10.37	$10.19	$9.44
FABRICATED MTL PRO	334005	1.1	1.1	1.1	$418.28	$374.80	$348.81	42.9	40.0	38.5	$9.75	$9.37	$9.06
MACHINERY EX ELEC	335005	2.4	2.4	2.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
ELECTRIC EQUIPMENT	336005	12.1	12.1	13.2	$433.84	$430.95	$403.19	41.2	41.2	41.1	$10.53	$10.46	$9.81
OTHER DURABLE GOOD	399915	5.0	4.9	4.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NONDURABLE GOODS	400015	14.8	14.8	14.0	$412.44	$396.75	$364.20	37.7	37.5	36.9	$10.94	$10.58	$9.87
PRINTING & PUBLSHN	427005	10.1	10.0	9.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
OTHER NONDURABLES	499915	4.7	4.8	4.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NONMANUFACTURING	000060	702.7	698.2	662.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MINING	100005	.5	.5	.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
CONSTRUCTION	200005	55.3	53.6	51.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
TRNSPORTATN & PUB U	500005	51.7	51.2	48.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
ELEC/GAS/SANITRY	549005	4.2	4.2	4.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHLSALE & RETAIL TR	600005	166.6	166.3	156.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHOLESALE TRADE	650005	32.1	31.5	29.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
RETAIL TRADE	652005	134.5	134.8	126.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
GENERAL MRCHNDSE	653005	15.3	15.4	14.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
AUTO DLRS & SER S	655005	16.5	16.7	16.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
APPAREL & ACCESSO	656005	10.6	10.7	9.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FINAN/INS/REAL EST	700005	48.4	48.3	44.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
BANKING	760005	8.2	8.1	7.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
SERVICES	800005	237.2	234.9	220.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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FOR
STATE..51 - VIRGINIA
AREA...5751 - NORTHERN VIRGINIA MSA
YEAR..1988 MONTH...APRIL BENCHMARK DATE..1987

PUBLISH INDUSTRY TITLE	SERIES CODE	ALL EMPLOYEES CURRENT MONTH	ALL EMPLOYEES PREVIOUS MONTH	ALL EMPLOYEES CURR. MO. YEAR AGO	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURRENT MONTH	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PREV. MONTH	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURR. MO. YEAR AGO	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURR. MO.	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS PREV. MO.	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURR MO YEAR AGO	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURR. MO.	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS PREV. MO.	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURR MO YR. AGO
BUSINESS SERVICES	873005	101.9	100.5	93.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
GOVERNMENT	998008	143.0	143.4	140.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	998011	71.9	72.3	74.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
STATE & LOCAL GOVT	998509	71.1	71.1	66.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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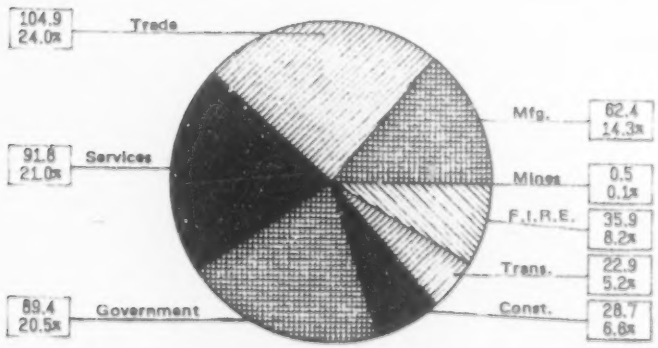
RICHMOND-PETERSBURG MSA - APRIL 1988 HIGHLIGHTS

- Total nonagricultural employment advanced 900 jobs this month to 448,000 jobs and was 16,400 jobs above the April 1987 figure.
- This month manufacturing employment increased slightly (+100 jobs) to 62,600 jobs, 600 jobs above last April.
- April's nonmanufacturing employment level of 385,400 jobs was 800 jobs above March and 15,800 jobs above April 1987. Springtime employment gains were recorded in trade, construction, services, and finance, while employment losses were posted in the government sector.
- Factory production workers earned an average weekly wage of $502.85, which was $11.85 above March and $37.24 above April 1987.
- Average hourly earnings rose $.17 to $12.03, $.59 above last year.
- April's average workweek of 41.8 hours was 0.4 hour longer than March and 1.1 hours longer than a year ago.
- April's 3.1 percent unemployment rate was the lowest rate for Richmond-Petersburg since the combined areas were designated in 1982.

EMPLOYMENT (000s) IN RICHMOND-PETERSBURG MSA
1987



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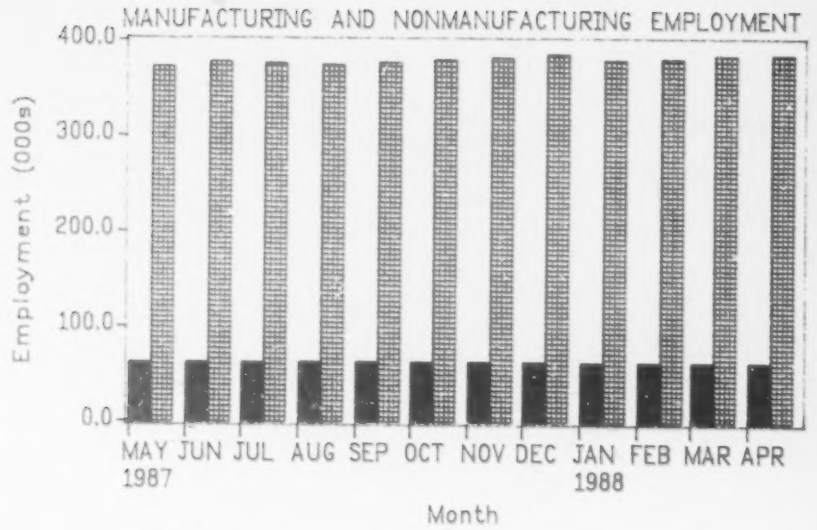
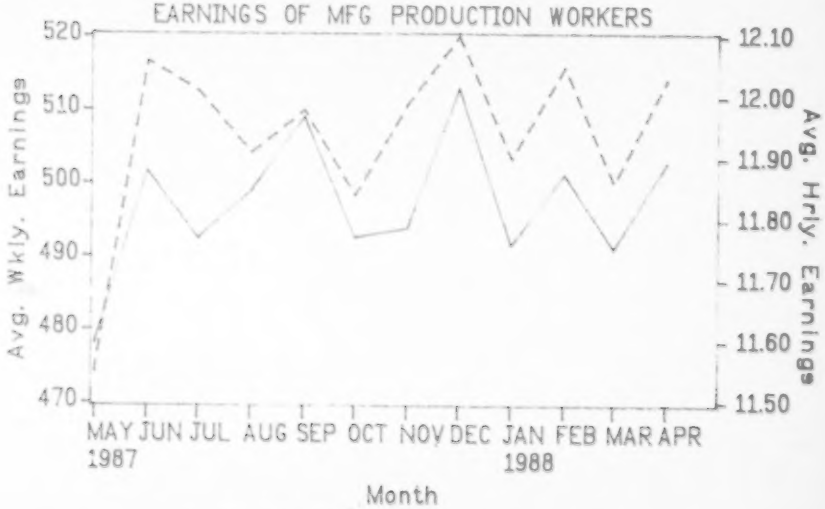


EARNINGS OF MFG PRODUCTION WORKERS



RICHMOND-PETERSBURG MSA
EMPLOYEES IN NONAGRICULTURAL ESTABLISHMENTS
BY INDUSTRY DIVISIONS
ANNUAL AVERAGES 1980-1987
APRIL 1988
(In Thousands)

Year/Month	Total	Manufacturing	Mining	Construction	Transportation and Public Utilities	Wholesale and Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	Services	Government
1980	373.9	67.2	0.4	22.2	21.0	84.4	27.7	64.4	86.6
1981	374.1	67.1	0.4	19.5	21.2	85.6	27.9	66.6	85.8
1982	369.5	64.2	0.3	17.7	21.2	85.7	28.2	67.3	84.9
1983	373.5	62.5	0.3	18.0	20.8	89.0	28.5	68.4	86.0
1984	385.3	63.8	0.3	20.7	21.6	92.2	29.7	72.2	84.9
1985	402.8	64.0	0.3	23.4	21.8	96.9	31.6	78.3	86.5
1986	416.9	62.4	0.4	25.9	22.0	104.4	33.7	84.1	87.1
1987	436.5	62.4	0.5	28.7	22.9	104.9	35.9	91.8	89.4
1988:									
January	442.0	62.4	0.5	28.2	23.2	108.1	36.0	92.8	90.8
February	443.4	62.5	0.5	28.4	23.2	107.0	36.1	93.8	91.9
March	447.1	62.5	0.5	29.2	23.4	107.9	35.5	95.4	92.7
April	448.0	62.6	0.5	29.8	23.4	108.8	35.6	95.5	91.8

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FOR
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AREA...6760 - RICHMOND - PETERSBURG MSA
YEAR..1988 MONTH...APRIL

BENCHMARK DATE..1987

PUBLISH INDUSTRY TITLE	SERIES CODE	ALL EMPLOYEES CURRENT MONTH	ALL EMPLOYEES PREVIOUS MONTH	ALL EMPLOYEES CURR MO YEAR AGO	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURRENT MONTH	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PREV MONTH	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURR MO YEAR AGO	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURR MO	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS PREV MO	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURR MO YEAR AGO	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURR MO	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS PREV MO	PRODUCTION WORKERS AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURR MO YR AGO
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL	000000	448.0	447.1	431.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MANUFACTURING	300005	62.6	62.5	62.0	$502.85	$491.00	$465.61	41.8	41.4	40.7	$12.03	$11.86	$11.44
DURABLE GOODS	300025	18.9	18.8	18.5	$402.19	$389.36	$368.16	43.2	42.6	41.6	$9.31	$9.14	$8.85
LMBR & WD/FRN & FI	324015	3.4	3.4	3.3	$231.27	$232.59	$239.95	39.0	38.7	41.3	$5.93	$6.01	$5.81
MACHINERY EX ELEC	335005	2.8	2.8	2.5	$461.30	$442.68	$464.18	44.7	43.7	43.3	$10.32	$10.13	$10.72
OTHER DURABLE GOOD	399915	12.7	12.6	12.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NONDURABLE GOODS	400015	43.7	43.7	43.5	$541.78	$530.47	$502.94	41.2	40.9	40.3	$13.15	$12.97	$12.48
FOOD & KINDRED PRO	420005	4.2	4.1	4.1	$441.44	$356.18	$384.20	44.5	38.8	42.5	$9.92	$9.18	$9.04
TOBACCO	421005	11.7	11.8	12.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
APPAREL & OTHR TEX	423005	1.9	2.1	2.0	$214.64	$225.98	$222.50	34.9	37.6	38.1	$6.15	$6.01	$5.84
PAPER & ALLIED PRO	426005	4.9	4.9	4.9	$518.69	$513.93	$466.15	45.3	45.4	42.3	$11.45	$11.32	$11.02
PRINTING & PUBLSHN	427005	7.4	7.4	7.3	$488.84	$506.69	$455.94	40.4	41.6	40.1	$12.10	$12.18	$11.37
CHEMICALS	428005	11.1	11.0	10.8	$584.05	$593.45	$561.74	40.9	41.5	40.5	$14.28	$14.30	$13.87
OTHER NONDURABLES	499915	2.5	2.4	2.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NONMANUFACTURING	000060	385.4	384.6	369.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MINING	100005	.5	.5	.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
CONSTRUCTION	200005	29.8	29.2	27.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
TRNSPORTATN & PUB U	500005	23.4	23.4	22.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHLSALE & RETAIL TR	600005	108.8	107.9	102.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHOLESALE TRADE	650005	26.5	26.5	25.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
RETAIL TRADE	652005	82.3	81.4	77.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
GENERAL MRCHNDSE	653005	13.6	13.3	12.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FOOD STORES	654005	14.0	13.8	12.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
AUTO DLRS & SER S	655005	9.2	9.1	8.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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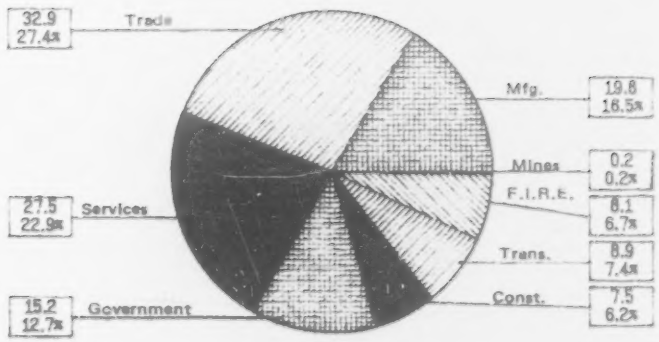
FINAN/INS/REAL EST	700005	35.6	35.5	35.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
INS CARRIERS, AGEN	763045	13.1	13.1	13.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
SERVICES	800005	95.5	95.4	90.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
HEALTH SERVICES	880005	21.8	21.7	21.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
GOVERNMENT	998008	91.8	92.7	90.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	998011	16.6	16.8	16.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
STATE & LOCAL GOVT	998509	75.2	75.9	73.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

The category "Other Durable Goods" includes the stone, clay, and glass products; primary metal; fabricated metal products; electric and electronic equipment; transportation equipment; instruments and related products; and miscellaneous manufacturing industries.

ROANOKE MSA - APRIL 1988 HIGHLIGHTS

- Total nonagricultural employment remained unchanged this month at 118,600 jobs but was 900 jobs below the April 1987 figure.
- Manufacturing employment declined slightly this month to 19,200 jobs and was 800 jobs below last April.
- Nonmanufacturing employment increased slightly to 99,400 jobs. Employment gains were recorded in construction and finance while employment losses were posted in government.
- This month average weekly earnings declined $12.27 to $362.80 but were $6.88 above April 1987.
- Average hourly earnings of $9.07 were $.26 below March's figure but $.26 above the year-ago April figure.
- The average workweek fell 0.2 hour to 40.0 hours, 0.4 hour shorter than last April.
- Roanoke's unemployment rate continued to decline, falling 0.5 percent in April to 3.4 percent, the lowest level since last September.

EMPLOYMENT (000s) IN ROANOKE MSA
1987



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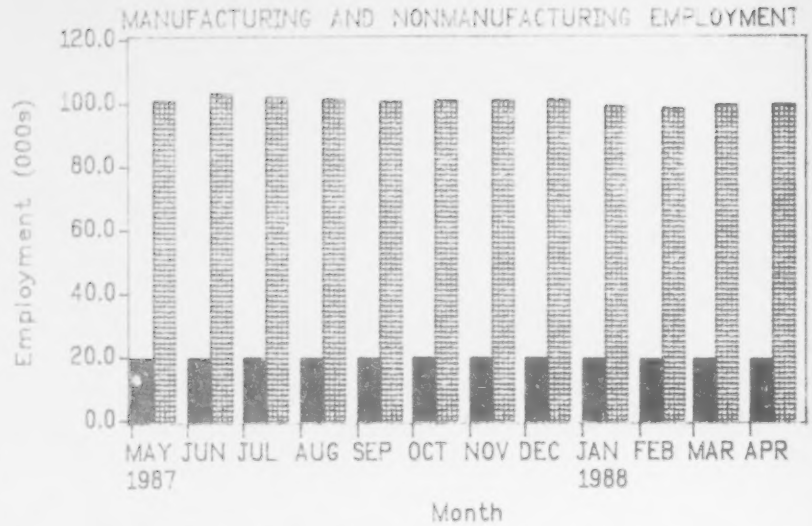

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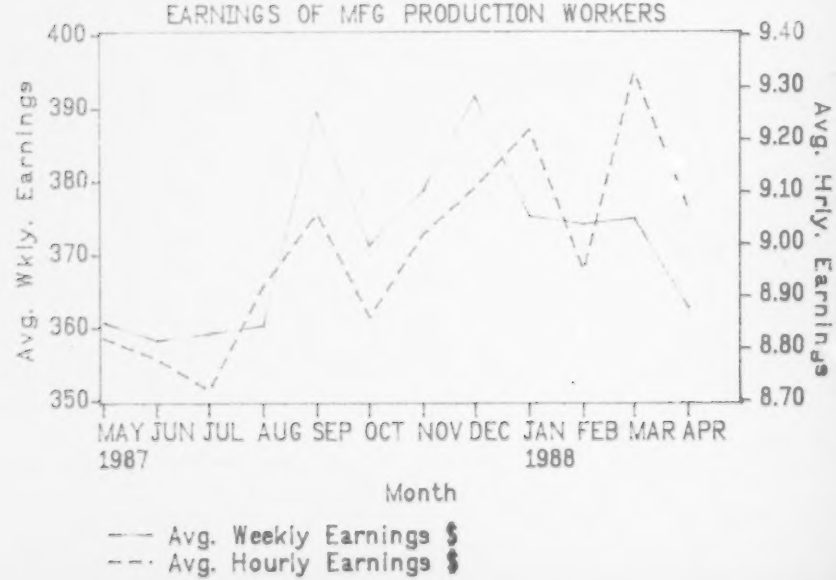

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Year/Month	Total	Manufacturing	Mining	Construction	Transportation and Public Utilities	Wholesale and Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	Services	Government
1980	104.4	21.2	0.1	5.5	10.1	25.4	6.3	20.2	15.6
1981	102.8	21.0	0.2	4.9	9.6	24.9	6.1	20.9	15.2
1982	100.8	19.6	0.1	4.6	9.3	25.0	6.1	21.4	14.7
1983	101.7	19.4	0.1	5.2	8.2	25.7	6.2	22.4	14.5
1984	107.1	20.6	0.1	5.6	8.5	27.3	6.5	24.1	14.4
1985	113.5	20.9	0.1	6.5	9.2	29.4	7.0	25.4	15.0
1986	117.4	20.6	0.1	6.9	9.1	31.4	7.6	26.5	15.2
1987	120.1	19.8	0.2	7.5	8.9	32.9	8.1	27.5	15.2
1988:									
January	118.5	19.5	0.2	6.9	8.7	32.2	8.2	27.3	15.5
February	117.4	19.2	0.2	6.9	8.6	31.7	8.3	27.3	15.2
March	118.6	19.3	0.2	7.3	8.5	31.8	8.4	27.7	15.4
April	118.6	19.2	0.2	7.4	8.5	31.8	8.5	27.7	15.3

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TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL	000000	118.6	118.6	119.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MANUFACTURING	300005	19.2	19.3	20.0	$362.80	$375.07	$355.92	40.0	40.2	40.4	$9.07	$9.33	$8.81
DURABLE GOODS	300025	11.5	11.5	11.9	$384.46	$409.34	$374.47	40.9	42.2	41.7	$9.40	$9.70	$8.98
FURNITURE & FXTURE	325005	1.7	1.7	1.7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FABRICATED MTL PRO	334005	1.4	1.4	1.6	$340.85	$313.62	$304.44	42.5	39.4	40.7	$8.02	$7.96	$7.48
MACHINERY EX ELEC	335005	1.6	1.6	1.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
OTHER DURABLE GOOD	399915	6.8	6.8	7.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NONDURABLE GOODS	400015	7.7	7.8	8.1	$330.42	$326.13	$328.79	38.6	37.4	38.5	$8.56	$8.72	$8.54
TEXTILE MILL PROD	422005	1.4	1.3	1.3	$264.26	$234.26	$263.13	36.4	31.5	35.8	$7.26	$7.44	$7.35
PRINTING & PUBLSHN	427005	1.0	1.1	1.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
OTHER NONDURABLES	499915	5.3	5.4	5.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NONMANUFACTURING	000060	99.4	99.3	99.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
MINING	100005	.2	.2	.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
CONSTRUCTION	200005	7.4	7.3	7.2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
TRNSPORTATN & PUB U	500005	8.5	8.5	9.0	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHLSALE & RETAIL TR	600005	31.8	31.8	32.6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WHOLESALE TRADE	650005	8.9	9.1	8.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
RETAIL TRADE	652005	22.9	22.7	23.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FINAN/INS/REAL EST	700005	8.5	8.4	8.0	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
SERVICES	800005	27.7	27.7	27.4	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
GOVERNMENT	998008	15.3	15.4	15.1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	998011	3.4	3.4	3.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
STATE & LOCAL GOVT	998509	11.9	12.0	11.8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR ALL URBAN CONSUMERS
U. S. CITY AVERAGE

ALL ITEMS -- (1982-84 = 100)

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Percent Change From 12 Months Ago 1/
1980	77.8	78.9	80.1	81.0	81.8	82.7	82.7	83.3	84.0	84.8	85.5	86.3	--
1981	87.0	87.9	88.5	89.1	89.8	90.6	91.6	92.3	93.2	93.4	93.7	94.0	8.9%
1982	94.3	94.6	94.5	94.9	95.8	97.0	97.5	97.7	97.9	98.2	98.0	97.6	3.8
1983	97.8	97.9	97.9	98.6	99.2	99.5	99.9	100.2	100.7	101.0	101.2	101.3	3.8
1984	101.9	102.4	102.6	103.1	103.4	103.7	104.1	104.5	105.0	105.3	105.3	105.3	3.9
1985	105.5	106.0	106.4	106.9	107.3	107.6	107.8	108.0	108.3	108.7	109.0	109.3	3.8
1986	109.6	109.3	108.8	108.6	108.9	109.5	109.5	109.7	110.2	110.3	110.4	110.5	1.1
1987	111.2	111.6	112.1	112.7	113.1	113.5	113.8	114.4	115.0	115.3	115.4	115.4	4.4
1988	115.7	116.0	116.5	117.1									

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR URBAN WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS
U. S. CITY AVERAGE

ALL ITEMS -- (1982-84 = 100)

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Percent Change From 12 Months Ago 1/
1980	78.3	79.4	80.5	81.4	82.3	83.2	83.3	83.8	84.6	85.3	86.1	86.9	--
1981	87.5	88.5	89.0	89.6	90.3	91.1	92.2	92.8	93.7	93.0	94.1	94.4	8.6%
1982	94.7	95.0	94.8	95.2	96.2	97.4	98.0	98.2	98.3	98.6	98.4	98.0	3.8
1983	98.1	98.1	98.4	99.0	99.5	99.8	100.1	100.5	101.0	101.2	101.2	101.2	3.3
1984	101.6	101.8	101.8	102.1	102.5	102.8	103.2	104.2	104.8	104.8	104.7	104.8	3.6
1985	104.9	105.4	105.9	106.3	106.7	107.0	107.1	107.3	107.6	107.9	108.3	108.6	3.6
1986	108.9	108.5	107.9	107.6	107.9	108.4	108.4	108.6	109.1	109.1	109.2	109.3	0.6
1987	110.0	110.5	111.0	111.6	111.9	112.4	112.7	113.3	113.8	114.1	114.3	114.2	4.5
1988	114.5	114.7	115.1	115.7									

1/ Annual Percent Change in the CPI represents a December to December Annual Change.

Beginning with the release of data for January 1988, on February 26, the standard reference base period for the Consumer Price Indexes (CPIs) is 1982-84. The rebasing by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), U. S. Department of Labor, after review by the Office of Federal Statistical Policy and Standards, Office of Management and Budget, is in keeping with the Government's long-standing policy that index bases should be updated periodically. BLS chose the 1982-84 period to coincide with the time period of the updated CPIs expenditure weights, which are based upon the Consumer Expenditure Surveys for 1982, 1983, and 1984.

ESTIMATED LABOR FORCE COMPONENTS

ESTIMATED LABOR FORCE COMPONENTS FOR STATE, MSAS, LMAS, CITIES, SINGLE COUNTIES

AREA	PERIOD	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT NUMBER	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
UNITED STATES	APR88	120,264,000	113,905,000	6,359,000	5.3
	MAR88	119,957,000	112,867,000	7,090,000	5.9
	APR87	118,347,000	111,041,000	7,306,000	6.2
VIRGINIA	APR88	3,064,172	2,958,312	105,860	3.5
	MAR88	3,038,925	2,924,086	114,839	3.8
	APR87	2,964,876	2,839,433	125,443	4.2
VA PORTION OF JOHNSON CITY MSA	APR88	43,241	41,047	2,194	5.1
	MAR88	43,141	40,700	2,441	5.7
	APR87	41,699	39,325	2,374	5.7
CHARLOTTESVILLE MSA	APR88	69,055	67,516	1,539	2.2
	MAR88	68,591	66,629	1,962	2.9
	APR87	65,756	63,641	2,115	3.2
DANVILLE MSA	APR88	51,458	48,060	3,398	6.6
	MAR88	50,688	47,296	3,392	6.7
	APR87	50,613	46,968	3,645	7.2
LYNCHBURG MSA	APR88	71,541	68,623	2,918	4.1
	MAR88	71,767	68,290	3,477	4.8
	APR87	71,327	68,083	3,244	4.5
NORFOLK-VIRGINIA BEACH-NEWPORT NEWS MSA	APR88	609,743	585,415	24,328	4.0
	MAR88	602,151	577,087	25,064	4.2
	APR87	592,019	564,473	27,546	4.7
VIRGINIA PORTION OF WASHINGTON DC MSA	APR88	890,642	876,607	14,035	1.6
	MAR88	875,746	860,778	14,968	1.7
	APR87	831,871	815,475	16,396	2.0
RICHMOND-PETERSBURG MSA	APR88	439,470	425,856	13,614	3.1
	MAR88	438,869	424,881	13,988	3.2
	APR87	425,573	410,332	15,241	3.6
ROANOKE MSA	APR88	117,976	113,941	4,035	3.4
	MAR88	118,352	113,701	4,651	3.9
	APR87	118,533	114,020	4,513	3.8
ACCOMACK-NORTHAMPTON LMA	APR88	21,916	20,738	1,178	5.4
	MAR88	21,914	20,687	1,227	5.6
	APR87	20,260	18,946	1,314	6.5
BATH-HIGHLAND LMA	APR88	2,553	2,309	244	9.6
	MAR88	2,626	2,167	459	17.5
	APR87	2,573	2,201	372	14.5
BEDFORD LMA	APR88	21,252	20,522	730	3.4
	MAR88	21,339	20,391	948	4.4
	APR87	21,417	20,363	1,054	4.9
BUENA VISTA LMA	APR88	14,292	13,725	567	4.0
	MAR88	14,436	13,631	805	5.6
	APR87	14,034	13,332	702	5.0

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COVINGTON LMA	APR88	11,314	10,542	772	6.8
	MAR88	11,421	10,531	890	7.8
	APR87	11,311	10,312	999	8.8
CUMBERLAND-PRINCE EDWARD LMA	APR88	10,970	10,200	770	7.0
	MAR88	10,877	9,881	996	9.2
	APR87	10,189	9,542	647	6.3
EMPORIA LMA	APR88	6,590	6,205	385	5.8
	MAR88	6,511	6,100	411	6.3
	APR87	6,879	6,464	415	6.0
ESSEX-RICHMOND LMA	APR88	7,960	7,694	266	3.3
	MAR88	7,950	7,574	376	4.7
	APR87	7,894	7,479	415	5.3
FRANKLIN-ISLE-SOUTHAMPTON LMA	APR88	19,815	18,938	877	4.4
	MAR88	19,830	18,852	978	4.9
	APR87	19,908	18,659	1,249	6.3
FREDERICKSBURG LMA	APR88	30,040	29,042	998	3.3
	MAR88	30,034	28,933	1,101	3.7
	APR87	30,425	29,369	1,056	3.5
GALAX LMA	APR88	24,197	22,922	1,275	5.3
	MAR88	23,736	22,531	1,205	5.1
	APR87	23,245	21,717	1,528	6.6
HARRISONBURG LMA	APR88	46,690	45,203	1,487	3.2
	MAR88	46,623	44,978	1,645	3.5
	APR87	45,586	43,554	2,032	4.5
KING & QUEEN-KING WILLIAM LMA	APR88	7,038	6,806	232	3.3
	MAR88	6,978	6,767	211	3.0
	APR87	7,125	6,800	325	4.6
LANCASTER-NORTHUMBERLAND LMA	APR88	9,734	8,862	872	9.0
	MAR88	9,734	8,311	1,423	14.6
	APR87	9,236	8,058	1,178	12.8
MARTINSVILLE LMA	APR88	52,421	49,508	2,913	5.6
	MAR88	53,415	49,508	3,907	7.3
	APR87	54,175	50,382	3,793	7.0
NORTON-WISE LMA	APR88	25,120	22,267	2,853	11.4
	MAR88	24,589	22,191	2,398	9.8
	APR87	25,228	22,307	2,921	11.6
RADFORD LMA	APR88	70,626	66,810	3,816	5.4
	MAR88	70,439	66,317	4,122	5.9
	APR87	68,979	64,811	4,168	6.0
SOUTH BOSTON LMA	APR88	16,387	15,178	1,209	7.4
	MAR88	16,472	15,168	1,304	7.9
	APR87	16,018	14,930	1,088	6.8

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STAUNTON-WAYNESBORO LMA	APR88	43,438	41,982	1,456	3.4
	MAR88	43,466	41,830	1,636	3.8
	APR87	44,412	42,289	2,123	4.8
WINCHESTER LMA	APR88	32,762	31,303	1,459	4.5
	MAR88	32,610	31,135	1,475	4.5
	APR87	31,529	29,861	1,668	5.3
ALEXANDRIA CITY	APR88	83,261	81,691	1,570	1.9
	MAR88	81,868	80,216	1,652	2.0
	APR87	78,087	75,992	2,095	2.7
BEDFORD CITY	APR88	2,671	2,607	64	2.4
	MAR88	2,705	2,591	114	4.2
	APR87	2,730	2,587	143	5.2
BRISTOL CITY	APR88	9,239	8,834	405	4.4
	MAR88	9,227	8,759	468	5.1
	APR87	9,199	8,463	736	8.0
BUENA VISTA CITY	APR88	3,214	3,015	199	6.2
	MAR88	3,203	2,994	209	6.5
	APR87	3,131	2,929	202	6.5
CHARLOTTESVILLE CITY	APR88	23,817	23,363	454	1.9
	MAR88	23,696	23,056	640	2.7
	APR87	22,642	22,021	621	2.7
CHESAPEAKE CITY	APR88	70,124	67,592	2,532	3.6
	MAR88	69,182	66,630	2,552	3.7
	APR87	68,012	65,171	2,841	4.2
CLIFTON FORGE CITY	APR88	2,044	1,943	101	4.9
	MAR88	2,077	1,941	136	6.5
	APR87	2,065	1,901	164	7.9
COLONIAL HEIGHTS CITY	APR88	9,019	8,768	251	2.8
	MAR88	9,038	8,748	290	3.2
	APR87	8,719	8,448	271	3.1
COVINGTON CITY	APR88	3,429	3,156	273	8.0
	MAR88	3,473	3,153	320	9.2
	APR87	3,417	3,087	330	9.7
DANVILLE CITY	APR88	20,910	19,336	1,574	7.5
	MAR88	20,422	19,029	1,393	6.8
	APR87	20,465	18,897	1,568	7.7
EMPORIA CITY	APR88	2,065	1,902	163	7.9
	MAR88	2,057	1,870	187	9.1
	APR87	2,129	1,981	148	7.0
FAIRFAX CITY	APR88	14,267	14,070	197	1.4
	MAR88	14,011	13,815	196	1.4
	APR87	13,335	13,089	246	1.8

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FALLS CHURCH CITY	APR88	7,252	7,136	116	1.6
	MAR88	7,146	7,007	139	1.9
	APR87	6,741	6,636	105	1.6
FRANKLIN CITY	APR88	2,970	2,766	204	6.9
	MAR88	2,975	2,753	222	7.5
	APR87	3,129	2,725	404	12.9
FREDERICKSBURG CITY	APR88	10,278	9,923	355	3.5
	MAR88	10,259	9,886	373	3.6
	APR87	10,412	10,035	377	3.6
GALAX CITY	APR88	3,277	3,159	118	3.6
	MAR88	3,192	3,105	87	2.7
	APR87	3,260	2,993	267	8.2
HAMPTON CITY	APR88	60,411	57,581	2,830	4.7
	MAR88	59,817	56,762	3,055	5.1
	APR87	59,108	55,520	3,588	6.1
HARRISONBURG CITY	APR88	14,883	14,381	502	3.4
	MAR88	14,873	14,309	564	3.8
	APR87	14,511	13,856	655	4.5
HOPEWELL CITY	APR88	11,512	10,927	585	5.1
	MAR88	11,560	10,902	658	5.7
	APR87	11,203	10,530	673	6.0
LEXINGTON CITY	APR88	2,527	2,483	44	1.7
	MAR88	2,581	2,466	115	4.5
	APR87	2,541	2,412	129	5.1
LYNCHBURG CITY	APR88	34,213	32,986	1,227	3.6
	MAR88	34,396	32,826	1,570	4.6
	APR87	34,348	32,726	1,622	4.7
MANASSAS CITY	APR88	12,962	12,772	190	1.5
	MAR88	12,790	12,542	248	1.9
	APR87	12,079	11,886	193	1.6
MANASSAS PARK CITY	APR88	4,392	4,348	44	1.0
	MAR88	4,327	4,269	58	1.3
	APR87	4,101	4,047	54	1.3
MARTINSVILLE CITY	APR88	9,594	9,023	571	6.0
	MAR88	9,856	9,023	833	8.5
	APR87	9,799	9,183	616	6.3
NEWPORT NEWS CITY	APR88	79,951	76,748	3,203	4.0
	MAR88	79,118	75,656	3,462	4.4
	APR87	78,352	74,003	4,349	5.6
NORFOLK CITY	APR88	97,057	92,378	4,679	4.8
	MAR88	95,673	91,064	4,609	4.8
	APR87	93,858	89,073	4,785	5.1

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NORTON CITY	APR88	1,663	1,528	135	8.1
	MAR88	1,633	1,522	111	6.8
	APR87	1,714	1,530	184	10.7
PETERSBURG CITY	APR88	19,211	18,163	1,048	5.5
	MAR88	19,287	18,121	1,166	6.0
	APR87	18,791	17,502	1,289	6.9
POQUOSON CITY	APR88	5,433	5,298	135	2.5
	MAR88	5,370	5,223	147	2.7
	APR87	5,292	5,106	186	3.5
PORTSMOUTH CITY	APR88	54,233	51,271	2,962	5.5
	MAR88	53,332	50,541	2,791	5.2
	APR87	53,179	49,436	3,743	7.0
RADFORD CITY	APR88	6,575	6,282	293	4.5
	MAR88	6,572	6,236	336	5.1
	APR87	6,541	6,094	447	6.8
RICHMOND CITY	APR88	115,918	110,953	4,965	4.3
	MAR88	115,438	110,698	4,740	4.1
	APR87	112,309	106,907	5,402	4.8
ROANOKE CITY	APR88	52,219	50,026	2,193	4.2
	MAR88	52,413	49,920	2,493	4.8
	APR87	52,511	50,060	2,451	4.7
SALEM CITY	APR88	12,295	11,846	449	3.7
	MAR88	12,331	11,821	510	4.1
	APR87	12,450	11,855	595	4.8
SOUTH BOSTON CITY	APR88	3,125	2,954	171	5.5
	MAR88	3,147	2,952	195	6.2
	APR87	3,103	2,906	197	6.3
STAUNTON CITY	APR88	10,484	10,101	383	3.7
	MAR88	10,485	10,064	421	4.0
	APR87	10,686	10,175	511	4.8
SUFFOLK CITY	APR88	27,354	25,864	1,490	5.4
	MAR88	27,257	25,496	1,761	6.5
	APR87	26,619	24,938	1,681	6.3
VIRGINIA BEACH CITY	APR88	160,220	155,065	5,155	3.2
	MAR88	157,734	152,859	4,875	3.1
	APR87	154,278	149,518	4,760	3.1
WAYNESBORO CITY	APR88	9,064	8,770	294	3.2
	MAR88	9,011	8,738	273	3.0
	APR87	9,314	8,834	480	5.2
WILLIAMSBURG CITY	APR88	6,419	6,194	225	3.5
	MAR88	6,397	6,106	291	4.5
	APR87	6,226	5,971	255	4.1

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WINCHESTER CITY	APR88	11,814	11,341	473	4.0
	MAR88	11,785	11,280	505	4.3
	APR87	11,405	10,818	587	5.1
ACCOMACK COUNTY	APR88	15,292	14,501	791	5.2
	MAR88	15,352	14,465	887	5.8
	APR87	14,224	13,248	976	6.9
ALBEMARLE COUNTY	APR88	34,487	33,801	686	2.0
	MAR88	34,136	33,356	780	2.3
	APR87	32,762	31,860	902	2.8
ALLEGHANY COUNTY	APR88	5,839	5,442	397	6.8
	MAR88	5,872	5,437	435	7.4
	APR87	5,828	5,324	504	8.6
AMELIA COUNTY	APR88	3,628	3,453	175	4.8
	MAR88	3,603	3,444	159	4.4
	APR87	3,614	3,409	205	5.7
AMHERST COUNTY	APR88	12,796	12,151	645	5.0
	MAR88	12,754	12,092	662	5.2
	APR87	12,557	12,056	501	4.0
APPOMATTOX COUNTY	APR88	5,794	5,542	252	4.3
	MAR88	5,905	5,606	299	5.1
	APR87	6,126	5,833	293	4.8
ARLINGTON COUNTY	APR88	116,833	115,028	1,805	1.5
	MAR88	114,871	112,951	1,920	1.7
	APR87	109,273	107,005	2,268	2.1
AUGUSTA COUNTY	APR88	23,889	23,111	778	3.3
	MAR88	23,969	23,027	942	3.9
	APR87	24,412	23,280	1,132	4.6
BATH COUNTY	APR88	1,696	1,529	167	9.8
	MAR88	1,827	1,435	392	21.5
	APR87	1,760	1,458	302	17.2
BEDFORD COUNTY	APR88	18,581	17,915	666	3.6
	MAR88	18,634	17,800	834	4.5
	APR87	18,687	17,776	911	4.9
BLAND COUNTY	APR88	3,409	3,217	192	5.6
	MAR88	3,317	3,126	191	5.8
	APR87	3,249	3,076	173	5.3
BOTETOURT COUNTY	APR88	12,630	12,259	371	2.9
	MAR88	12,723	12,233	490	3.9
	APR87	12,762	12,267	495	3.9
BRUNSWICK COUNTY	APR88	7,655	7,270	385	5.0
	MAR88	7,690	7,272	418	5.4
	APR87	7,491	7,062	429	5.7

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BUCHANAN COUNTY	APR88	11,663	10,339	1,324	11.4
	MAR88	11,626	10,207	1,419	12.2
	APR87	12,014	9,722	2,292	19.1
BUCKINGHAM COUNTY	APR88	5,142	4,817	325	6.3
	MAR88	5,089	4,722	367	7.2
	APR87	5,467	5,115	352	6.4
CAMPBELL COUNTY	APR88	24,531	23,486	1,045	4.3
	MAR88	24,616	23,372	1,244	5.1
	APR87	24,423	23,302	1,121	4.6
CAROLINE COUNTY	APR88	8,737	8,358	379	4.3
	MAR88	8,563	8,152	411	4.8
	APR87	8,847	8,473	374	4.2
CARROLL COUNTY	APR88	13,021	12,305	716	5.5
	MAR88	12,742	12,095	647	5.1
	APR87	12,394	11,658	736	5.9
CHARLES CITY COUNTY	APR88	3,569	3,445	124	3.5
	MAR88	3,682	3,437	245	6.7
	APR87	3,512	3,320	192	5.5
CHARLOTTE COUNTY	APR88	5,283	4,878	405	7.7
	MAR88	5,198	4,771	427	8.2
	APR87	5,464	4,951	513	9.4
CHESTERFIELD COUNTY	APR88	98,750	96,490	2,260	2.3
	MAR88	98,526	96,270	2,256	2.3
	APR87	95,344	92,971	2,373	2.5
CLARKE COUNTY	APR88	4,394	4,195	199	4.5
	MAR88	4,371	4,200	171	3.9
	APR87	4,235	3,993	242	5.7
CRAIG COUNTY	APR88	2,190	2,117	73	3.3
	MAR88	2,269	2,159	110	4.8
	APR87	2,270	2,150	120	5.3
CULPEPER COUNTY	APR88	11,467	11,208	259	2.3
	MAR88	11,511	11,192	319	2.8
	APR87	11,156	10,800	356	3.2
CUMBERLAND COUNTY	APR88	3,413	3,216	197	5.8
	MAR88	3,336	3,116	220	6.6
	APR87	3,174	3,009	165	5.2
DICKENSON COUNTY	APR88	5,129	4,394	735	14.3
	MAR88	5,073	4,417	656	12.9
	APR87	5,396	4,418	978	18.1
DINWIDDIE COUNTY	APR88	8,869	8,517	352	4.0
	MAR88	8,950	8,498	452	5.1
	APR87	8,952	8,208	744	8.3

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ESSEX COUNTY	APR88	4,410	4,289	121	2.7
	MAR88	4,377	4,222	155	3.5
	APR87	4,359	4,169	190	4.4
FAIRFAX COUNTY	APR88	479,366	472,167	7,199	1.5
	MAR88	471,068	463,641	7,427	1.6
	APR87	447,582	439,235	8,347	1.9
FAUQUIER COUNTY	APR88	23,034	22,682	352	1.5
	MAR88	22,861	22,476	385	1.7
	APR87	22,712	22,364	348	1.5
FLOYD COUNTY	APR88	5,756	5,444	312	5.4
	MAR88	6,036	5,404	632	10.5
	APR87	5,572	5,281	291	5.2
FLUVANNA COUNTY	APR88	5,686	5,471	215	3.8
	MAR88	5,661	5,400	261	4.6
	APR87	5,364	5,158	206	3.8
FRANKLIN COUNTY	APR88	18,847	17,811	1,036	5.5
	MAR88	18,362	17,335	1,027	5.6
	APR87	17,760	16,763	997	5.6
FREDERICK COUNTY	APR88	20,949	19,962	987	4.7
	MAR88	20,824	19,855	969	4.7
	APR87	20,124	19,043	1,081	5.4
GILES COUNTY	APR88	8,566	7,773	793	9.3
	MAR88	8,534	7,716	818	9.6
	APR87	8,380	7,541	839	10.0
GLOUCESTER COUNTY	APR88	15,204	14,887	317	2.1
	MAR88	15,049	14,675	374	2.5
	APR87	14,823	14,354	469	3.2
GOOCHLAND COUNTY	APR88	6,042	5,881	161	2.7
	MAR88	6,131	5,868	263	4.3
	APR87	5,864	5,669	195	3.3
GRAYSON COUNTY	APR88	7,897	7,458	439	5.6
	MAR88	7,804	7,331	473	6.1
	APR87	7,590	7,066	524	6.9
GREENE COUNTY	APR88	5,068	4,882	186	3.7
	MAR88	5,100	4,818	282	5.5
	APR87	4,988	4,602	386	7.7
GREENSVILLE COUNTY	APR88	4,525	4,303	222	4.9
	MAR88	4,453	4,230	223	5.0
	APR87	4,750	4,483	267	5.6
HALIFAX COUNTY	**APR88**	**13,263**	**12,224**	**1,039**	**7.8**
	MAR88	**13,326**	**12,216**	**1,110**	**8.3**
	APR87	**12,915**	**12,024**	**891**	**6.9**

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HANOVER COUNTY	APR88	30,901	30,300	601	1.9
	MAR88	30,860	30,230	630	2.0
	APR87	29,865	29,196	669	2.2
HENRICO COUNTY	APR88	117,813	115,258	2,555	2.2
	MAR88	117,515	114,994	2,521	2.1
	APR87	113,772	111,056	2,716	2.4
HENRY COUNTY	APR88	33,384	31,336	2,048	6.1
	MAR88	34,080	31,336	2,744	8.1
	APR87	34,436	31,889	2,547	7.4
HIGHLAND COUNTY	APR88	857	780	77	9.0
	MAR88	800	732	68	8.5
	APR87	812	743	69	8.5
ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY	APR88	10,413	9,972	441	4.2
	MAR88	10,468	9,927	541	5.2
	APR87	10,305	9,825	480	4.7
JAMES CITY COUNTY	APR88	14,585	14,196	389	2.7
	MAR88	14,582	13,994	588	4.0
	APR87	14,114	13,686	428	3.0
KING AND QUEEN COUNTY	APR88	2,572	2,459	113	4.4
	MAR88	2,562	2,445	117	4.6
	APR87	2,604	2,457	147	5.6
KING GEORGE COUNTY	APR88	6,428	6,209	219	3.4
	MAR88	6,413	6,175	238	3.7
	APR87	6,332	6,076	256	4.0
KING WILLIAM COUNTY	APR88	4,467	4,347	120	2.7
	MAR88	4,416	4,322	94	2.1
	APR87	4,521	4,344	177	3.9
LANCASTER COUNTY	APR88	5,160	4,752	408	7.9
	MAR88	5,262	4,457	805	15.3
	APR87	4,927	4,321	606	12.3
LEE COUNTY	APR88	8,089	7,286	803	9.9
	MAR88	8,060	7,261	799	9.9
	APR87	8,201	7,299	902	11.0
LOUDOUN COUNTY	APR88	43,788	43,155	633	1.4
	MAR88	43,094	42,376	718	1.7
	APR87	40,847	40,149	698	1.7
LOUISA COUNTY	APR88	10,424	9,986	438	4.2
	MAR88	10,585	9,792	793	7.5
	APR87	10,799	10,317	482	4.5
LUNENBURG COUNTY	APR88	4,707	4,406	301	6.4
	MAR88	4,725	4,349	376	8.0
	APR87	4,774	4,392	382	8.0

ESTIMATED LABOR FORCE COMPONENTS FOR STATE, MSAS, LMAS, CITIES, SINGLE COUNTIES

AREA	PERIOD	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT NUMBER	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
MADISON COUNTY	APR88	5,298	5,165	133	2.5
	MAR88	5,305	5,130	175	3.3
	APR87	5,415	4,892	523	9.7
MATHEWS COUNTY	APR88	3,474	3,394	80	2.3
	MAR88	3,483	3,364	119	3.4
	APR87	3,337	3,209	128	3.8
MECKLENBURG COUNTY	APR88	13,356	12,384	972	7.3
	MAR88	13,206	12,365	841	6.4
	APR87	13,556	12,673	883	6.5
MIDDLESEX COUNTY	APR88	3,221	3,139	82	2.5
	MAR88	3,204	3,094	110	3.4
	APR87	3,222	3,092	130	4.0
MONTGOMERY COUNTY	APR88	32,255	30,760	1,495	4.6
	MAR88	31,982	30,533	1,449	4.5
	APR87	31,389	29,840	1,549	4.9
NELSON COUNTY	APR88	6,011	5,756	255	4.2
	MAR88	5,936	5,635	301	5.1
	APR87	5,043	4,791	252	5.0
NEW KENT COUNTY	APR88	5,452	5,319	133	2.4
	MAR88	5,464	5,307	157	2.9
	APR87	5,238	5,124	114	2.2
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY	APR88	6,624	6,237	387	5.8
	MAR88	6,562	6,222	340	5.2
	APR87	6,036	5,698	338	5.6
NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY	APR88	4,575	4,110	465	10.2
	MAR88	4,472	3,854	618	13.8
	APR87	4,309	3,737	572	13.3
NOTTOWAY COUNTY	APR88	6,573	6,292	281	4.3
	MAR88	6,684	6,273	411	6.1
	APR87	6,509	6,074	435	6.7
ORANGE COUNTY	APR88	8,861	8,575	286	3.2
	MAR88	8,842	8,482	360	4.1
	APR87	9,053	8,447	606	6.7
PAGE COUNTY	APR88	8,935	8,494	441	4.9
	MAR88	9,079	8,382	697	7.7
	APR87	9,239	8,739	500	5.4
PATRICK COUNTY	APR88	9,443	9,149	294	3.1
	MAR88	9,479	9,149	330	3.5
	APR87	9,941	9,311	630	6.3
PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY	APR88	30,548	28,724	1,824	6.0
	MAR88	30,266	28,267	1,999	6.6
	APR87	30,147	28,071	2,076	6.9

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AREA	PERIOD	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT NUMBER	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
POWHATAN COUNTY	APR88	5,289	5,110	179	3.4
	MAR88	5,287	5,099	188	3.6
	APR87	5,095	4,925	170	3.3
PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY	APR88	7,558	6,984	574	7.6
	MAR88	7,541	6,765	776	10.3
	APR87	7,015	6,533	482	6.9
PRINCE GEORGE COUNTY	APR88	7,120	6,720	400	5.6
	MAR88	7,127	6,705	422	5.9
	APR87	6,908	6,476	432	6.3
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY	APR88	100,797	99,109	1,688	1.7
	MAR88	99,280	97,320	1,960	2.0
	APR87	94,020	92,198	1,822	1.9
PULASKI COUNTY	APR88	17,472	16,550	922	5.3
	MAR88	17,314	16,427	887	5.1
	APR87	17,096	16,054	1,042	6.1
RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTY	APR88	2,716	2,636	80	2.9
	MAR88	2,652	2,539	113	4.3
	APR87	2,599	2,481	118	4.5
RICHMOND COUNTY	APR88	3,550	3,405	145	4.1
	MAR88	3,573	3,352	221	6.2
	APR87	3,536	3,310	226	6.4
ROANOKE COUNTY	APR88	40,833	39,811	1,022	2.5
	MAR88	40,885	39,727	1,158	2.8
	APR87	40,811	39,838	973	2.4
ROCKBRIDGE COUNTY	APR88	8,550	8,227	323	3.8
	MAR88	8,652	8,170	482	5.6
	APR87	8,363	7,991	372	4.4
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY	APR88	31,808	30,822	986	3.1
	MAR88	31,749	30,669	1,080	3.4
	APR87	31,074	29,698	1,376	4.4
RUSSELL COUNTY	APR88	11,313	10,169	1,144	10.1
	MAR88	11,151	9,919	1,232	11.0
	APR87	11,845	9,892	1,953	16.5
SCOTT COUNTY	APR88	10,347	9,758	589	5.7
	MAR88	10,368	9,676	692	6.7
	APR87	10,026	9,349	677	6.8
SHENANDOAH COUNTY	APR88	16,993	16,524	469	2.8
	MAR88	16,951	16,488	463	2.7
	APR87	16,643	16,029	614	3.7
SMYTH COUNTY	APR88	14,828	13,834	994	6.7
	MAR88	14,827	13,681	1,146	7.7
	APR87	14,972	13,760	1,212	8.1

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AREA	PERIOD	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT NUMBER	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY	APR88	6,433	6,200	233	3.6
	MAR88	6,387	6,172	215	3.4
	APR87	6,475	6,109	366	5.7
SPOTSYLVANIA COUNTY	APR88	19,762	19,119	643	3.3
	MAR88	19,775	19,047	728	3.7
	APR87	20,013	19,334	679	3.4
STAFFORD COUNTY	APR88	27,724	27,131	593	2.1
	MAR88	27,290	26,641	649	2.4
	APR87	25,805	25,238	567	2.2
SURRY COUNTY	APR88	2,636	2,485	151	5.7
	MAR88	2,644	2,397	247	9.3
	APR87	2,652	2,463	189	7.1
SUSSEX COUNTY	APR88	5,258	4,968	290	5.5
	MAR88	5,239	4,935	304	5.8
	APR87	5,105	4,751	354	6.9
TAZEWELL COUNTY	APR88	18,085	16,761	1,324	7.3
	MAR88	18,025	16,496	1,529	8.5
	APR87	18,885	15,909	2,976	15.8
WARREN COUNTY	APR88	11,287	10,915	372	3.3
	MAR88	11,139	10,683	456	4.1
	APR87	11,665	11,254	411	3.5
WASHINGTON COUNTY	APR88	23,656	22,455	1,201	5.1
	MAR88	23,547	22,265	1,282	5.4
	APR87	22,475	21,513	962	4.3
WESTMORELAND COUNTY	APR88	5,249	4,912	337	6.4
	MAR88	5,223	4,865	358	6.9
	APR87	5,429	5,045	384	7.1
WISE COUNTY	APR88	15,368	13,453	1,915	12.5
	MAR88	14,895	13,408	1,487	10.0
	APR87	15,314	13,478	1,836	12.0
WYTHE COUNTY	APR88	13,906	13,206	700	5.0
	MAR88	13,871	13,118	753	5.4
	APR87	14,187	13,327	860	6.1
YORK COUNTY	APR88	18,762	18,353	409	2.2
	MAR88	18,651	18,092	559	3.0
	APR87	18,158	17,698	460	2.5

ESTIMATED LABOR FORCE COMPONENTS FOR SERVICE DELIVERY AREAS UNDER JTPA

AREA		PERIOD	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT NUMBER	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
	ONE	APR88	81,657	73,688	7,969	9.8
		MAR88	80,831	72,906	7,925	9.8
		APR87	83,395	71,597	11,798	14.1
	TWO	APR88	159,857	151,277	8,580	5.4
		MAR88	158,965	149,796	9,169	5.8
		APR87	156,304	146,666	9,638	6.2
	THREE	APR88	131,479	126,600	4,879	3.7
		MAR88	132,043	126,391	5,652	4.3
		APR87	132,114	126,482	5,632	4.3
	FOUR	APR88	181,344	174,650	6,694	3.7
		MAR88	181,299	173,492	7,807	4.3
		APR87	179,915	171,252	8,663	4.8
	FIVE	APR88	662,824	652,757	10,067	1.5
		MAR88	651,716	640,970	10,746	1.6
		APR87	618,705	607,240	11,465	1.9
	SIX	APR88	200,094	196,719	3,375	1.7
		MAR88	196,739	193,167	3,572	1.8
		APR87	187,360	182,997	4,363	2.3
	SEVEN	APR88	136,869	133,525	3,344	2.4
		MAR88	136,285	131,876	4,409	3.2
		APR87	132,533	127,733	4,800	3.6
	EIGHT	APR88	221,312	210,066	11,246	5.1
		MAR88	221,475	208,426	13,049	5.9
		APR87	221,419	208,394	13,025	5.9
	NINE	APR88	143,918	135,631	8,287	5.8
		MAR88	143,900	134,651	9,249	6.4
		APR87	142,291	132,990	9,301	6.5
	TEN	APR88	115,918	110,953	4,965	4.3
		MAR88	115,438	110,698	4,740	4.1
		APR87	112,309	106,907	5,402	4.8
	ELEVEN	APR88	267,816	261,803	6,013	2.2
		MAR88	267,465	261,205	6,260	2.3
		APR87	258,690	252,261	6,429	2.5
	TWELVE	APR88	131,523	126,285	5,238	4.0
		MAR88	130,786	124,563	6,223	4.8
		APR87	127,913	121,786	6,127	4.8
	THIRTEEN	APR88	200,765	193,257	7,508	3.7
		MAR88	198,984	190,508	8,476	4.3
		APR87	196,073	186,338	9,735	5.0
	FOURTEEN	APR88	428,804	411,108	17,696	4.1
		MAR88	423,008	405,442	17,566	4.2
		APR87	415,855	396,795	19,060	4.6

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RANK	NAME	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
1	MANASSAS PARK CITY	4,392	4,348	44	1.0
2	FAIRFAX CITY	14,267	14,070	197	1.4
2	LOUDOUN COUNTY	43,788	43,155	633	1.4
4	FAUQUIER COUNTY	23,034	22,682	352	1.5
4	MANASSAS CITY	12,962	12,772	190	1.5
4	FAIRFAX COUNTY	479,366	472,167	7,199	1.5
4	ARLINGTON COUNTY	116,833	115,028	1,805	1.5
8	FALLS CHURCH CITY	7,252	7,136	116	1.6
9	PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY	100,797	99,109	1,688	1.7
9	LEXINGTON CITY	2,527	2,483	44	1.7
11	CHARLOTTESVILLE CITY	23,817	23,363	454	1.9
11	HANOVER COUNTY	30,901	30,300	601	1.9
11	ALEXANDRIA CITY	83,261	81,691	1,570	1.9
14	ALBEMARLE COUNTY	34,487	33,801	686	2.0
15	GLOUCESTER COUNTY	15,204	14,887	317	2.1
15	STAFFORD COUNTY	27,724	27,131	593	2.1
17	YORK COUNTY	18,762	18,353	409	2.2
17	HENRICO COUNTY	117,813	115,258	2,555	2.2
19	CULPEPER COUNTY	11,467	11,208	259	2.3
19	MATHEWS COUNTY	3,474	3,394	80	2.3
19	CHESTERFIELD COUNTY	98,750	96,490	2,260	2.3
22	NEW KENT COUNTY	5,452	5,319	133	2.4
22	BEDFORD CITY	2,671	2,607	64	2.4
24	MADISON COUNTY	5,298	5,165	133	2.5
24	MIDDLESEX COUNTY	3,221	3,139	82	2.5
24	POQUOSON CITY	5,433	5,298	135	2.5
24	ROANOKE COUNTY	40,833	39,811	1,022	2.5
28	ESSEX COUNTY	4,410	4,289	121	2.7
28	GOOCHLAND COUNTY	6,042	5,881	161	2.7
28	JAMES CITY COUNTY	14,585	14,196	389	2.7
28	KING WILLIAM COUNTY	4,467	4,347	120	2.7
32	SHENANDOAH COUNTY	16,993	16,524	469	2.8
32	COLONIAL HEIGHTS CITY	9,019	8,768	251	2.8
34	BOTETOURT COUNTY	12,630	12,259	371	2.9
34	RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTY	2,716	2,636	80	2.9
36	PATRICK COUNTY	9,443	9,149	294	3.1
36	ROCKINGHAM COUNTY	31,808	30,822	986	3.1
38	ORANGE COUNTY	8,861	8,575	286	3.2
38	WAYNESBORO CITY	9,064	8,770	294	3.2
38	VIRGINIA BEACH CITY	160,220	155,065	5,155	3.2
41	CRAIG COUNTY	2,190	2,117	73	3.3
41	SPOTSYLVANIA COUNTY	19,762	19,119	643	3.
41	WARREN COUNTY	11,287	10,915	372	3.3
41	AUGUSTA COUNTY	23,889	23,111	778	3.3
45	KING GEORGE COUNTY	6,428	6,209	219	3.4
45	POWHATAN COUNTY	5,289	5,110	179	3.4
45	HARRISONBURG CITY	14,883	14,381	502	3.4
48	CHARLES CITY COUNTY	3,569	3,445	124	3.5
48	FREDERICKSBURG CITY	10,278	9,923	355	3.5
48	WILLIAMSBURG CITY	6,419	6,194	225	3.5
51	BEDFORD COUNTY	18,581	17,915	666	3.6
51	SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY	6,433	6,200	233	3.6
51	GALAX CITY	3,277	3,159	118	3.6
51	CHESAPEAKE CITY	70,124	67,592	2,532	3.6
51	LYNCHBURG CITY	34,213	32,986	1,227	3.6
56	GREENE COUNTY	5,068	4,882	186	3.7
56	SALEM CITY	12,295	11,846	449	3.7
56	STAUNTON CITY	10,484	10,101	383	3.7
59	FLUVANNA COUNTY	5,686	5,471	215	3.8
59	ROCKBRIDGE COUNTY	8,550	8,227	323	3.8
61	DINWIDDIE COUNTY	8,869	8,517	352	4.0
61	WINCHESTER CITY	11,814	11,341	473	4.0
61	NEWPORT NEWS CITY	79,951	76,748	3,203	4.0
64	RICHMOND COUNTY	3,550	3,405	145	4.1
65	ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY	10,413	9,972	441	4.2
65	LOUISA COUNTY	10,424	9,986	438	4.2
65	NELSON COUNTY	6,011	5,756	255	4.2
65	ROANOKE-CITY	52,219	50,026	2,193	4.2
69	APPOMATTOX COUNTY	5,794	5,542	252	4.3
69	CAROLINE COUNTY	8,737	8,358	379	4.3
69	NOTTOWAY COUNTY	6,573	6,292	281	4.3
69	RICHMOND CITY	115,918	110,953	4,965	4.3
69	CAMPBELL COUNTY	24,531	23,486	1,045	4.3
74	KING AND QUEEN COUNTY	2,572	2,459	113	4.4
74	BRISTOL CITY	9,239	8,834	405	4.4
76	CLARKE COUNTY	4,394	4,195	199	4.5
76	RADFORD CITY	6,575	6,282	293	4.5
78	MONTGOMERY COUNTY	32,255	30,760	1,495	4.6
79	FREDERICK COUNTY	20,949	19,962	987	4.7
79	HAMPTON CITY	60,411	57,581	2,830	4.7
81	AMELIA COUNTY	3,628	3,453	175	4.8
81	NORFOLK CITY	97,057	92,378	4,679	4.8
83	GREENSVILLE COUNTY	4,525	4,303	222	4.9
83	PAGE COUNTY	8,935	8,494	441	4.9
83	CLIFTON FORGE CITY	2,044	1,943	101	4.9
86	AMHERST COUNTY	12,796	12,151	645	5.0
86	BRUNSWICK COUNTY	7,655	7,270	385	5.0
86	WYTHE COUNTY	13,906	13,206	700	5.0
89	WASHINGTON COUNTY	23,656	22,455	1,201	5.1
89	HOPEWELL CITY	11,512	10,927	585	5.1
91	ACCOMACK COUNTY	15,292	14,501	791	5.2
92	PULASKI COUNTY	17,472	16,550	922	5.3
93	FLOYD COUNTY	5,756	5,444	312	5.4
93	SUFFOLK CITY	27,354	25,864	1,490	5.4
95	CARROLL COUNTY	13,021	12,305	716	5.5
95	FRANKLIN COUNTY	18,847	17,811	1,036	5.5
95	SUSSEX COUNTY	5,258	4,968	290	5.5
95	PETERSBURG CITY	19,211	18,163	1,048	5.5
95	SOUTH BOSTON CITY	3,125	2,954	171	5.5
95	PORTSMOUTH CITY	54,233	51,271	2,962	5.5
101	BLAND COUNTY	3,409	3,217	192	5.6
101	GRAYSON COUNTY	7,897	7,458	439	5.6
101	PRINCE GEORGE COUNTY	7,120	6,720	400	5.6
104	SCOTT COUNTY	10,347	9,758	589	5.7
104	SURRY COUNTY	2,636	2,485	151	5.7
106	CUMBERLAND COUNTY	3,413	3,216	197	5.8
106	NORTHAMPTON COUNTY	6,624	6,237	387	5.8
108	MARTINSVILLE CITY	9,594	9,023	571	6.0
108	PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY	30,548	28,724	1,824	6.0
110	HENRY COUNTY	33,384	31,336	2,048	6.1
111	BUENA VISTA CITY	3,214	3,015	199	6.2
112	BUCKINGHAM COUNTY	5,142	4,817	325	6.3
113	LUNENBURG COUNTY	4,707	4,406	301	6.4
113	WESTMORELAND COUNTY	5,249	4,912	337	6.4

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RANK	NAME	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	RANK	NAME	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
115	SMYTH COUNTY	14,828	13,834	994	6.7						
116	ALLEGHANY COUNTY	5,839	5,442	397	6.8						
117	FRANKLIN CITY	2,970	2,766	204	6.9						
118	MECKLENBURG COUNTY	13,356	12,384	972	7.3						
118	TAZEWELL COUNTY	18,085	16,761	1,324	7.3						
120	DANVILLE CITY	20,910	19,336	1,574	7.5						
121	PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY	7,558	6,984	574	7.6						
122	CHARLOTTE COUNTY	5,283	4,878	405	7.7						
123	HALIFAX COUNTY	13,263	12,224	1,039	7.8						
124	LANCASTER COUNTY	5,160	4,752	408	7.9						
124	EMPORIA CITY	2,065	1,902	163	7.9						
126	COVINGTON CITY	3,429	3,156	273	8.0						
127	NORTON CITY	1,663	1,528	135	8.1						
128	HIGHLAND COUNTY	857	780	77	9.0						
129	GILES COUNTY	8,566	7,773	793	9.3						
130	BATH COUNTY	1,696	1,529	167	9.8						
131	LEE COUNTY	8,089	7,286	803	9.9						
132	RUSSELL COUNTY	11,313	10,169	1,144	10.1						
133	NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY	4,575	4,110	465	10.2						
134	BUCHANAN COUNTY	11,663	10,339	1,324	11.4						
135	WISE COUNTY	15,368	13,453	1,915	12.5						
136	DICKENSON COUNTY	5,129	4,394	735	14.3						

EXPLANATORY NOTES

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

Data on nonagricultural payroll employment, hours, and earnings are collected by the Virginia Employment Commission in cooperation with the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, from payroll records of a sample of approximately 7,500 establishments. In most industries the sampling probabilities are based on the size of the establishment; most large establishments are therefore in the sample. Self-employed persons, domestic workers, and others not on a regular civilian payroll are outside the scope of the survey because they are excluded from establishment records.

Definitions:

Employed persons are all persons who received pay (including holiday and sick pay) for any part of the payroll period including the 12th of the month. Persons holding more than one job are counted in each establishment which reports them. From a sample composed of establishments reporting for both the previous and the current months, the ratio of current employment to that of the previous month is computed. This is called a link relative. The estimates of employment for the current month are obtained by multiplying the estimates for the previous month by these link relatives.

Production workers in manufacturing include blue-collar worker supervisors and all nonsupervisory workers closely associated with production operations.

Hours represent the average weekly hours of production of nonsupervisory workers for which pay was received and is different from standard or scheduled hours. Such factors as unpaid absenteeism, labor turnover, part-time work, and stoppages cause average weekly hours to be lower than scheduled hours of work for an establishment. Group averages further reflect changes in the workweek of component industries.

Earnings are the payments production or nonsupervisory workers receive during the survey period, including premium pay for overtime or late-shift work, but excluding irregular bonuses and other special payments. Average hourly earnings are on a gross basis, reflecting not only changes in basic hourly and incentive wage rates, but also such variable factors as premium pay for overtime and late-shift work and changes in output of workers paid on an incentive plan. Shifts in the volume of employment between relatively high-paid and low-paid work and changes in workers' earnings in individual establishments also affect the general averages. Averages for groups and divisions further reflect changes in average hourly earnings for individual industries.

Benchmark Adjustments. Employment estimates are compared periodically with comprehensive counts of employment which provide "benchmarks" for the various nonagricultural industries, and appropriate adjustments are made. The primary sources of benchmark information are employment data, by industry, compiled quarterly by the Virginia Employment Commission from reports of establishment covered under the unemployment insurance laws.

Reliability of Employment Estimates. The BLS establishment sample covers approximately 44.5 percent of the total employment for the state. Since small sampling and response errors cumulative over several months, there was a 1.1 percent adjustment in benchmark levels for the First Quarter 1987 benchmark.

Labor force and unemployment estimates for the state and standard metropolitan statistical areas are developed by the Virginia Employment Commission under a federal-state cooperative program. Estimates are derived from standardized procedures developed by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

Data on the civilian labor force employment and unemployment estimates and unemployment rates for the United States, Virginia, Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs), Labor Market Areas (LMAs), Service Delivery Areas (SDAs), and all other Virginia cities and counties are developed by the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program in cooperation with the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Most recent month data are considered preliminary and are subject to revision.

Employment and unemployment estimates are based on new 1987 benchmark levels.

GEOGRAPHIC AREAS

SERVICE DELIVERY AREAS

Area 1
- Buchanan Co.
- Dickenson Co.
- Lee Co.
- Russell Co.
- Scott Co.
- Tazewell Co.
- Wise Co.
- Norton City

Area 2
- Bland Co.
- Carroll Co.
- Floyd Co.
- Giles Co.
- Grayson Co.
- Montgomery Co.
- Pulaski Co.
- Smyth Co.
- Washington Co.
- Wythe Co.
- Bristol City
- Galax City
- Radford City

Area 3
- Alleghany Co.
- Botetourt Co.
- Craig Co.
- Roanoke Co.
- Clifton Forge City
- Covington City
- Roanoke City
- Salem City

Area 4
- Augusta Co.
- Bath Co.
- Clarke Co.
- Frederick Co.
- Highland Co.
- Page Co.

Area 4 (Continued)
- Rockbridge Co.
- Rockingham Co.
- Shenandoah Co.
- Warren Co.
- Buena Vista City
- Harrisonburg City
- Lexington City
- Staunton City
- Waynesboro City
- Winchester City

Area 5
- Fairfax Co.
- Loudoun Co.
- Prince William Co.
- Fairfax City
- Falls Church City
- Manassas City
- Manassas Park City

Area 6
- Arlington Co.
- Alexandria City

Area 7
- Albemarle Co.
- Culpeper Co.
- Fauquier Co.
- Fluvanna Co.
- Greene Co.
- Louisa Co.
- Madison Co.
- Nelson Co.
- Orange Co.
- Rappahannock Co.
- Charlottesville City

Area 8
- Amherst Co.
- Appomattox Co.
- Bedford Co.

Area 8 (Continued)
- Campbell Co.
- Franklin Co.
- Henry Co.
- Patrick Co.
- Pittsylvania Co.
- Bedford City
- Danville City
- Lynchburg City
- Martinsville City

Area 9
- Amelia Co.
- Brunswick Co.
- Buckingham Co.
- Charlotte Co.
- Cumberland Co.
- Dinwiddie Co.
- Greensville Co.
- Halifax Co.
- Lunenburg Co.
- Mecklenburg Co.
- Nottoway Co.
- Prince Edward Co.
- Prince George Co.
- Surry Co.
- Sussex Co.
- Colonial Heights City
- Emporia City
- Hopewell City
- Petersburg City
- South Boston City

Area 10
- Richmond City

Area 11
- Charles City Co.
- Chesterfield Co.
- Goochland Co.
- Hanover Co.
- Henrico Co.

Area 11 (Continued)
- New Kent Co.
- Powhatan Co.

Area 12
- Accomack Co.
- Caroline Co.
- Essex Co.
- King George Co.
- King & Queen Co.
- King William Co.
- Lancaster Co.
- Mathews Co.
- Middlesex Co.
- Northampton Co.
- Northumberland Co.
- Richmond Co.
- Spotsylvania Co.
- Stafford Co.
- Westmoreland Co.
- Fredericksburg City

Area 13
- Gloucester Co.
- James City Co.
- York Co.
- Hampton City
- Newport News City
- Poquoson City
- Williamsburg City

Area 14
- Isle of Wight Co.
- Southampton Co.
- Chesapeake City
- Franklin City
- Norfolk City
- Portsmouth City
- Suffolk City
- Virginia Beach City

METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

1. Virginia Portion of Bristol MSA
   - Scott Co.
   - Washington Co.
   - Bristol City

2. Charlottesville MSA
   - Albemarle Co.
   - Fluvanna Co.
   - Greene Co.
   - Charlottesville City

3. Danville MSA
   - Pittsylvania Co.
   - Danville City

4. Lynchburg MSA
   - Amherst Co.
   - Campbell Co.
   - Lynchburg City

5. Norfolk-Va. Beach-Newport News MSA
   - Gloucester Co.
   - James City Co.
   - York Co.
   - Chesapeake City
   - Hampton City
   - Newport News City
   - Norfolk City
   - Poquoson City
   - Portsmouth City
   - Suffolk City
   - Virginia Beach City
   - Williamsburg City

6. Virginia Portion of Washington, DC MSA
   - Arlington Co.
   - Fairfax Co.
   - Loudoun Co.
   - Prince William Co.
   - Stafford Co.
   - Alexandria City
   - Fairfax City
   - Falls Church City
   - Manassas City
   - Manassas City Park

7. Richmond-Petersburg MSA
   - Charles City Co.
   - Chesterfield Co.
   - Dinwiddie Co.
   - Goochland Co.
   - Hanover Co.
   - Henrico Co.
   - New Kent Co.
   - Powhatan Co.
   - Prince George Co.
   - Colonial Heights City
   - Hopewell City
   - Petersburg City
   - Richmond City

8. Roanoke MSA
   - Botetourt Co.
   - Roanoke Co.
   - Roanoke City
   - Salem City

LABOR MARKET AREAS

1. Accomack-Northampton LMA
   - Accomack Co.
   - Northampton Co.

2. Bath-Highland LMA
   - Bath Co.
   - Highland Co.

3. Bedford LMA
   - Bedford City
   - Bedford Co.

4. Buena Vista LMA
   - Buena Vista City
   - Lexington City
   - Rockbridge Co.

5. Covington LMA
   - Alleghany Co.
   - Clifton Forge City
   - Covington City

6. Cumberland-Prince Edward LMA
   - Cumberland Co.
   - Prince Edward Co.

7. Emporia LMA
   - Emporia City
   - Greensville Co.

8. Essex-Richmond LMA
   - Essex Co.
   - Richmond Co.

9. Franklin-Isle of Wight-Southampton LMA
   - Franklin City
   - Isle of Wight Co.
   - Southampton Co.

10. Fredericksburg LMA
    - Fredericksburg City
    - Spotsylvania Co.

11. Galax LMA
    - Carroll Co.
    - Galax City
    - Grayson Co.

12. Harrisonburg LMA
    - Harrisonburg City
    - Rockingham Co.

13. King and Queen-King William LMA
    - King and Queen Co.
    - King William Co.

14. Lancaster-Northumberland LMA
    - Lancaster Co.
    - Northumberland Co.

15. Martinsville LMA
    - Henry Co.
    - Martinsville City
    - Patrick Co.

16. Norton LMA
    - Lee Co.
    - Norton City
    - Wise Co.

17. Radford LMA
    - Floyd Co.
    - Giles Co.
    - Montgomery Co.
    - Pulaski Co.
    - Radford City

18. South Boston LMA
    - Halifax Co.
    - South Boston City

19. Staunton-Waynesboro LMA
    - Augusta Co.
    - Staunton City
    - Waynesboro City

20. Winchester LMA
    - Frederick Co.
    - Winchester City

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